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Canine Officer Ed Higginbottom and Blaze have officially ended their partnership on the police force. Blaze will join the former Andover family that raised him, in New Hampshire.

Blaze trots off into the sunset

Police dog, 8, retiring; new dog soon

By Ben Hellman

They say that every dog has his day and for Blaze, Andover's police dog, that day is now. The 8-year-old German Shepherd is retiring and moving to a large house with a big yard in New Hampshire. The canine program will continue with a new dog and a new master as canine officer Ed Higginbottom is passing the torch and returning to regular duty.

Blaze has been serving and protecting Andover since 1999, when Higginbottom reignited

the town's canine program. Since then, Blaze has uncovered drugs, tracked down fugitives and led searches for lost children or missing Alzheimer's patients.

"It's kind of sad. He's my partner. I've spent more time with that dog than I do with my wife."

CANINE OFFICER
ED HIGGINBOTTOM

Higginbottom said Blaze was only once ordered to take down a felon forcefully, and he did so bow-wow-beautifully. The fugitive was believed to possess more than 100 guns, said

Higginbottom, and police found him in swamp land in North Andover. Higginbottom gave the command and Blaze

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Suspension served, town cab co. accuses officer of 'harassment'

By Andrea Gregory

Appealing a three-day suspension it has already served, Andover Livery/Cab Co. has accused Andover Police Officer Robert Cronin of targeting the company with "harassing and vexing actions."

In its appeal to the state Superior Court, Andover Livery claims in writing, among other things, that "selective

treatment was based on a malicious or bad-faith intent to injure (the cab company owner) in his business." Cronin's name appears 13 times in Andover Livery's appeal.

The selectmen issued a three-day suspension on June 16 that was to begin June 30, saying Andover Livery had committed 13 town-by-law vio-

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For firefighters,
woman walks
all the way to
New York City

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REAL ESTATE CHOICES

Head west, young families

Downtown popular, but new families get more space in West Andover

By Judy Wakefield

Realtors say a colonial on Hidden Road is charming with its fireplaced living room and French doors. Its proximity to the downtown and Phillips Academy only adds to its appeal.

But for the same price — \$509,900 — a buyer could get a much newer and larger saltbox colonial, with almost five times as much land. The home is on Rutgers Road in western Andover and it has amenities the Hidden Road property does not, including a screened porch and a family room.

Young families wanting more space is one theory to explain High Plain Elementary School's crowded classrooms.

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Such situations are common. When it comes to housing, Andover's west side offers more space for one's real-estate dollar. West Andover neighborhoods boast a country feel with yards that are typically at least an acre, and large houses where four bedrooms and two-and-a-half baths are common.

Source: Local real-estate listings.

Realtors say West Andover's country, spacious feeling is appealing to some young homeowners, and this may explain why High Plain Elementary School — the new school in West Andover — will be the most

THE WEST SIDE STORY

While the downtown area remains an attractive location, home buyers looking for the most bang for their buck go to West Andover. Here's a look at the amenities offered by two homes for sale, one located downtown and one in West Andover.



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YARD SIZE

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BATHS

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GARAGE

FAMILY ROOM

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WEST ANDOVER

ADDRESS

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Fran Landry

NOT CAUGHT IN THE RAIN



Expecting the type of flash floods that affected other areas of town on Tuesday, Gordon Dubois (left) and Scott Rodger gave motorists a laugh by appearing ready to fish at the corner of Center and Tewksbury streets. Andover residents have been dealing with the effects of heavy rains for two weeks.

PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

State allows herbicide use

Town officials against use, near town drinking water

By Ben Hellman

A resident's struggle with pond weeds has led her to use an aquatic herbicide in a water source that eventually drains into Haggetts Pond, Andover's drinking supply. The state Department of Environmental Protection — which overrode Andover boards in allowing the herbicide use — said the measure is safe.

The decision could open the

door to other residents using herbicides to keep Andover ponds from filling up with algae, water weeds and rotting vegetation. At least one resident with a cottage on Fosters Pond said he is interested in the idea.

Irene Jacobs, of 2 Pond View Place, said she is just trying to protect her property, located near Haggetts Pond. "If I didn't, I'd have a swamp instead of a pond," she said.

The pond shows up as Jacobs Pond on town maps and sits on the front lawn of Jacobs' home.

Jacobs' property abuts Indian Ridge Country Club, which Jacobs said must use fertilizers to keep the grass green. She reasons that the fertilizer runoff from the golf course is getting into her pond and causing plants to grow at an increased rate. "Obviously everybody in

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PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

A private homeowner is using an herbicide approved by the state to control weed growth in the pond in her front yard — and the town doesn't like it.



State DEP overrules town

■ HERBICIDE

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town is putting down a lot of fertilizers," she said.

But when Jacobs set about getting the permits to use herbicides, the Conservation Commission and Department of Public Works denied her request. "We had a big fight with the Conservation Commission and a big fight with Mr. (Jack) Petkus (head of DPW)," said Jacobs.

But Jacobs' pond control company, Aquatic Control Technology, based out of Sutton, told her it was safe and she took her case to the DEP, which approved it. The first application was made last summer. Another application was made two weeks ago, on July 28.

Petkus said he went out of his way to try to stop Jacobs from using the chemicals, saying that the usage was for "strictly cosmetic reasons." Even though the usage was approved by the DEP, he is concerned that not enough is known about the chemicals. "Nobody's looked into long-term effects. We don't know how it reacts with ozone. We don't know how it reacts with chlorine. We don't know how it reacts with fluoride," said Petkus. These compounds are added to Andover's drinking water by the town.

Conservation Commission Chairman Donald Cooper was called for this story, but did not



The owner of this Pond View Place home is using an herbicide to kill unwanted weeds in a small pond on her front yard. The state overruled Andover's Conservation Commission to allow the use.

respond by *Townsmen* presstime.

The brand-name herbicides approved by the DEP for use in Jacobs Pond and in other cases were Reward, Sonar and Rodeo. Aquatic Control Technology informed the town that it used Reward - whose active chemical is diquat dibromide - and a copper algicide.

Aquatic Control Technology was also called for this story, but did not respond by *Townsmen* presstime.

Andover ponds

Andover residents have tried to protect ponds in Andover before. David Carreher, who

owns a cottage at 34 Fosters Pond Road tried to organize Fosters Pond residents to clear the water weed problem in their pond last summer, but the effort ran out of steam. Upon hearing Jacobs' success, Carreher is determined to give it another try. Carreher said the weeds growing in Fosters - such as mill foil - are not native to the pond. He said that fertilizer use speeds up the destruction of the town ponds.

"There's no reason why such a lovely resource as Fosters Pond should go to pot because people say nature is taking its course," said Carreher.

Use Sonar in certain waters?

Kim Stamos, Ponds Pond coordinator, plans to go through the permitting process to use the aquatic herbicide Sonar - whose active chemical is fluridone - in the town's swimming hole. The herbicide is also used in North Andover's drinking supply. Stamos said the measure is needed to keep weeds from interfering with the young swimmers.

Though Petkus objected to Sonar in the Jacobs' case, he said that in the case of Ponds, the use of the herbicide was appropriate. "In Ponds it's a legitimate application," said Petkus.

POLICE

Two heroin-related busts

By Andrea Gregory and Jim Patten

Andover police have made two busts in the last week allegedly involving the intent to sell heroin in town.

On Monday, an anonymous tip led police to a Courtyard Marriott hotel room where two men were packaging heroin to sell, police said.

Arrested Monday night were two Lawrence men - Samuel Guzman, 21, of 63 Brookfield St., and Pedro Santiago, 19, of 39 Springfield St. Both were charged with trafficking heroin, trafficking heroin within 1,000 feet of a school zone, and possession of marijuana. Guzman was also charged with possession of a hypodermic needle and syringe.

The tip led police to room 307 at the hotel, located just off River Road near Interstate 93. Inside, police found several empty heroin packets, 100 grams of heroin, a heat sealer, two hypodermic needles and syringes, three small bags of marijuana, \$300 cash, and several hundred heroin packets waiting to be filled, said Andover Police Lt. William MacKenzie.

Last Thursday, a heroin drug-bust on River Road resulted in six arrests, the confiscation of 100 bags of heroin and the towing of three cars.

"Anytime you get a large quantity of heroin off the street and a dealer with his customers, it's pretty successful," said Det. David Carriere.

Carriere said police confiscated 100 bags with a street value of about \$1,000, along

with prescription drugs.

Carriere said officers noticed suspicious behavior in the Mobil gas station parking lot.

"(One of the suspects) held up a needle," said Carriere. "They were getting ready to shoot up right when they got it."

After police approached the suspects and were talking to them, a third car, with the alleged dealer inside, entered the parking lot before realizing the situation and trying to escape, police said. The third car allegedly contained the majority of the heroin recovered. Carriere said the third driver pulled out in such a rush he almost backed into one of the officers.

The driver of the third car was forced by police to pull into the neighboring parking lot at Boston Sports Club where the car was searched and the suspected dealer taken into custody, said police.

James Sanderson, a Mobil employee, was working at the time. According to Sanderson, two of the men arrested came into the store moments before the arrest to buy three six-packs of bottled water. Carriere said drug users mix clean water with heroin.

Sanderson said they left the store and the next thing he saw was a plethora of police vehicles pulling into the gas station. "There were like five, six cruisers, a motorcycle and a paddy wagon," he said. "I didn't even know what happened until the cops got here."

Carriere, said last year 200 arrests for narcotics were made in Andover and the majority of them were arrests for possession of a class A drug, such as heroin or OxyCotin.

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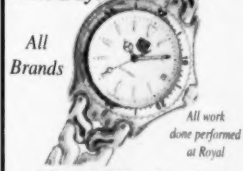
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IN BRIEF

Engage bought,
leaving Brickstone

JDA Software Group paid \$3 million in cash for the assets of Engage Inc., a CMGI spinoff that filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. JDA also assumed \$800,000 in liabilities for a total price of \$3.8 million.

Tuskai could not say when exactly Engage will leave its Andover office. About one-third of the remaining staff will be in development, and one-third will be in professional services, which includes consulting, she said. Engage President John Barone and other officers will not stay on.

The deal, which closed last week, means that about 30 local employees will relocate from Brickstone Square to a Boston-area office and report to JDA headquarters in Scottsdale, Ariz.

JDA is a publicly traded company with 32 offices worldwide. The company's main products manage inventory for retailers. Engage and JDA had some clients in common, Tuskai said. JDA will add the intellectual property that it bought from Engage to a line of 45 complementary software products that it has built or acquired over the years. Originally an Internet advertising firm, Engage had changed its focus to selling software that manages content for promotional materials.

— Kathleen McLaughlin

PAZ appeal fails

An attempt to overrule the zoning board's approval of the 115-unit Avalon Bay 40B project on River Road has failed.

Justice Howard Whitehead has given his ruling on the appeal, filed by Protect Andover Zoning (PAZ), a group of long-time residents in the area. "The defendants have 'called the plaintiffs' hand' during discovery, and the plaintiffs have been unable to produce any cards," said Whitehead in his summary judgment for Avalon Bay.

PAST AND PRESENT



Pomps Pond, long a favorite spot for swimming, will close for the summer on Sunday. The top photo shows Pomps in 1941, when a diving board and floating dock were among the swimming hole's featured offerings. In the bottom photo, Matthew and C.J. Dona, sons of Lisa and Chris Dona, enjoyed diving into a snack at the pond during a hot July day this

Quote, unquote . . .

MAYBE IT'S NOT BEACH WEATHER, but the fall does offer a number of comfortable nights.

— Adrienne Pappadopoulos, *Glory restaurant general manager, who plans to provide outdoor seating — and lunch — at Glory Restaurant on Essex Street by the fall. (Story, page 15)*

WE WILL NEVER have equal numbers everywhere. That's not the way life works. As sympathetic as I am, this is one of the problems we've got.

— School Committee member Tina Girdwood on the larger classrooms at High Plain Elementary School in West Andover. (Story, page 7)

News Calendar

Thursday, Aug. 14

Council on Aging, Town Offices, third floor, 8 a.m.

Monday, Aug. 18

Board of Health, Town Offices, second floor, 6-9 p.m.

Vision 21 Committee, Town Offices, third floor, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 19

Conservation Commission, Town Offices, third floor, 7:45 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 20

Zoning Board of Appeals, site view of 13 Heather Drive, 6:30 p.m.; meeting follows at Memorial Hall Library, 7 p.m.

Recycling Committee, Town Offices, third floor, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 21

Senior Center Task Force, Senior Center, 7 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 25

Housing Partnership, Town Offices, second floor, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 26

Planning Board, Town Offices, third floor, 7:30 p.m.

School Committee, School Administration Building, 7:30 p.m.

Vision 21 Committee, Town Offices, second floor, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 28

School Committee Retreat, School Administration Building, 5 p.m.

Disabilities Commission, Memorial Hall Library, activity room, 7 p.m.

Courses on mentally ill

The National Alliance for the Mentally Ill, Massachusetts and the Parent Professional Advocacy League will co-sponsor "Visions For Tomorrow" an education course specifically for primary caregivers of children and adolescents with mental illness. The eight-week series of workshops will be held in several locations throughout Massachusetts including Quincy, Waltham, Woburn and Worcester. Class size is limited and pre-registration is required.

Some of the diagnoses that will be covered in the curriculum include: ADD/ADHD, PDD/autism, Tourette's Disorder, conduct disorder, bipolar disorder, depression, eating disorders, anxiety disorders, obsessive-compulsive disorder and childhood schizophrenia. The course will also cover topics such as empathy, communication skills and caregiver, system and sibling support.

For more, contact the NAMI-Massachusetts office at 1-800-370-9085 or visit its Web site www.massvisions.org.

August health clinics

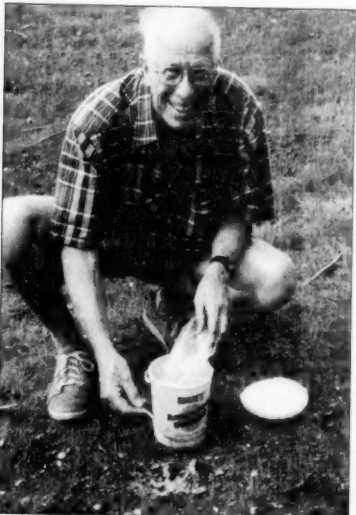
The Andover Health Department will offer a mini clinic on Monday, Aug. 25 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Frye Circle. Senior-center clinics will be held 2 to 3 p.m. each Wednesday, Aug. 20 and 27. No appointment is necessary.

Preventing child abuse

Parents Helping Parents, a child-abuse prevention agency, is looking for volunteers with good interpersonal skills and a commitment to strengthening families to facilitate support groups in North Andover, Lawrence and Methuen. Volunteers must commit to spending five hours a week for a period of one year as a facilitator.

Training and ongoing supervision and support is provided by Parents Helping Parents. Residents can call 1-800-882-1250 to request an application or, for information, visit www.parentshelpingparents.org.

Bear tracks found near college's new parking lot?



Stewart Coffin makes a cast of what he says is a four-inch bear track.

Bear tracks close to town? It's the buzz among local hikers, who say somebody saw a bear on the outskirts of the Merrimack College campus, according to avid Andover hiker Stewart Coffin of Brookfield Road.

He showed a *Townsmen* reporter some tracks last Sunday just before he made a cast of the paw print, which is about four inches across.

"I heard someone saw a bear here and here's the proof," he said pointing to the paw print. "And there's a cub print," he said, pointing to a smaller version.

Merrimack College recently removed several trees and some brush to make way for 280 new parking spaces on property that abuts Applecrest Road in Andover. Coffin said he and other local hikers enjoy using a small trail in the area and the bear sighting has dominated their conversations lately.

Julie Flynn of Merrimack College's public relations department said the school has not received any reports of a bear sighting.

— Judy Wakefield

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Cab co. accuses cop of harrassment

■ **APPEAL FILED**
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lations. The suspension began the morning after a fire destroyed the location of the company at 19 Barnard St.

Michael Bellmore, owner of Andover Livery, said the suspension was served under protest.

"The selectmen didn't even look at the information we had," said Bellmore. "It was a done deal."

Now Bellmore is taking the matter to state Superior Court and hoping for what he considers a "fair" trial.

"So we have to go in front of a judge, and the judge will definitely agree with us," he said.

Bellmore is asking for records of the hearing to be reviewed and for the court to quash the findings of the selectmen. His appeal also seeks to stop the town "and its enforcement agents from further harassing (Bellmore)." Among his other requests are for the town to establish standards for the enforcement of rules for vehicles for hire, and for the court to "grant such other and further relief as the court deems just, proper and equitable."

Cronin said he could not comment on the matter because it is under appeal. Police Chief Brian Pattullo did not return phone calls seeking comment on the subject.

Tom Urbelis, town counsel, said he had not read the appeal

"The selectmen didn't even look at the information we had. It was a done deal."

MICHAEL BELLMORE, OWNER OF ANDOVER LIVERY, ON THE SELECTMEN'S HEARING THAT RESULTED IN HIS THREE-DAY SUSPENSION

and therefore would not make any comments.

In his appeal, Bellmore claims in part that "Since 1999, (Bellmore) has been the object of a series of harassing and vexing actions by the enforcement officer and has been subjected to uneven and spotty enforcement of the town of Andover rules and regulations for public vehicles for hire." Bellmore said he believes the suspension is another form of the harassment.

"We didn't break any laws. He put a spin on it," said Bellmore. "Police can slant stories to make them look however they want. They are professional storytellers. We did nothing wrong."

Town documents show that the recent violations resulted from two incidents. In one case, police say they approached the vehicle because it bore New Hampshire license plates, but displayed an "Andover Livery/Cab Co." placard. In another case, the same vehicle with the same New Hampshire plates

was seen in town on several occasions during the same night.

The appeal, drawn up by Arthur McCabe, Bellmore's lawyer, lists the following claims against Cronin.

- Refusing to make himself available for required inspections.

- Issuing numerous parking tickets from which the petitioner has no practical appeal.

- Stopping the livery vehicles without apparent cause.

- Making comments about personally ensuring Bellmore's business would not continue running as the only livery company in town. Today, Bellmore has competition from two other companies in Andover, the appeal noted.

- Placing Bellmore's business under a higher level of scrutiny than the other companies.

Bellmore said he and his lawyer will be able to supply the court with enough evidence to back up everything mentioned in the appeal. "We've got oodles of it," said Bellmore, about his supporting evidence.

Bellmore said the heart of the problem is Cronin, and that he and his business do not deserve to be treated like this. "We have no problem with any police officer in town except Officer Cronin," said Bellmore. "I'm not a bad person," said Bellmore. "We do love Andover and we will be here for a long time."

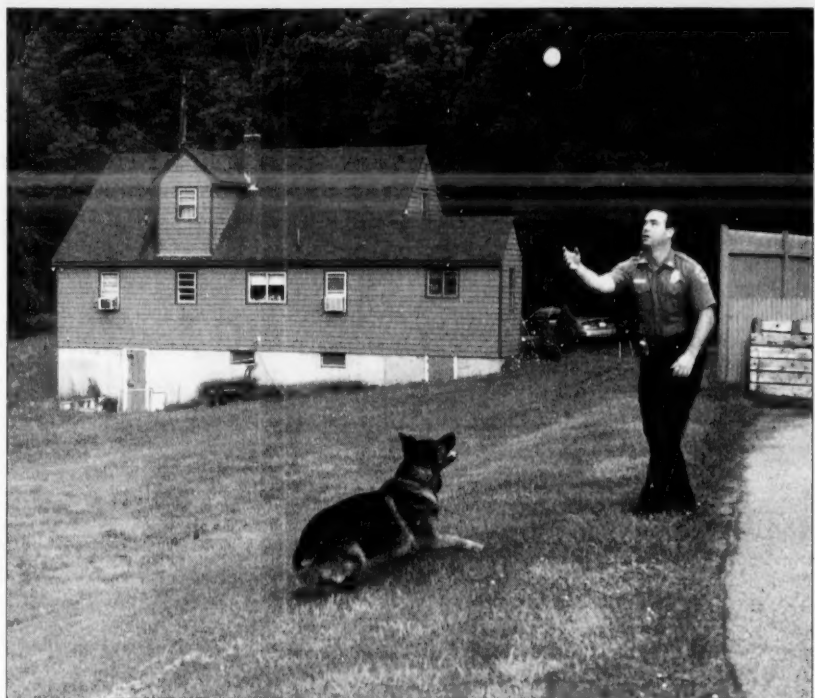


PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Officer Ed Higginbottom plays catch with Blaze, helping the now retired police dog to ease into a life of play. Blaze, who has lived with Higginbottom since joining the Andover force in 1999, will return to the family that first raised him.

Top dog thrown meaty bone: Retirement to New Hampshire

■ **BLAZE**

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jumped on the suspect and took him down.

Blaze has also given demonstrations for schools. In 2000, then-South Elementary third grader Kelly Kropiwnicki raised \$650 to get Blaze a bulletproof vest. Kelly, Higginbottom and Blaze have had such a close relationship since then that Higginbottom called Kelly this week so she'd know that Blaze was retiring before this article was published.

Higginbottom said he is retiring Blaze because he has slowed down and police didn't want to risk hurting him. "It's the right thing for him to retire," said Higginbottom.

It's also the right thing for Higginbottom. Higginbottom decided to step down at the same time as Blaze because his kids have gotten older and his wife has taken a job that forces

her to travel. Higginbottom has a 5-year-old daughter and a 16-month-old son, but on the canine unit, if he got a call, day or night, he went to work. "It's definitely time for someone else to take over," said Higginbottom.

Because Andover is a member of the North East Massachusetts Law Enforcement Community, Blaze was often called upon by other towns who required his special services. Still, Higginbottom said he will miss Blaze. "It's kind of sad. He's my partner. I've spent more time with that dog than I do with my wife," said Higginbottom.

Higginbottom will probably help train the next officer to handle the canine unit. The new dog will only be used to sniff out drugs so the department will probably go with a less aggressive dog, such as a golden retriever or black lab.

Before Blaze becomes a civilian, Higginbottom is

"decommissioning" him. His police training has made him a no-nonsense working dog. "He's associated work with aggression. He's a highly aggressive pet around the house," said Higginbottom. So Higginbottom is been taking him out to play ball, letting Blaze relax and lose his tough attitude.

Blaze will return to his original owner. The dog was donated to police by then-resident Pamela Stafford. Stafford had planned to train the dog for sport competitions, but when she had a baby she decided to give up the dog, said Higginbottom.

Stafford arranged to take Blaze back when he retired. She now has a house and land in Candia, N.H., where Blaze will live out his days in dog heaven with plenty of open space. "It's a good retirement," said Police Chief Brian Pattullo.

"It's a nice ending to a nice story," said Higginbottom.

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PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTS

ROLLING GREEN HOUSING

Traffic light considered for 191-apartment project

Complex would add to Route 133 traffic

By Andrea Gregory

Concerned about cars coming to and from the 191-unit apartment complex planned for the former Rolling Green Hotel site, the Zoning Board of Appeals will have at least one more public hearing before ruling on the proposed 40B project off Lowell Street, Route 133.

Issues related to increasing the traffic on an already difficult roadway is the main focus of the board's review.

Comprehensive permits, or Ch. 40B projects such as that proposed for the former Rolling Green site, are controversial because they allow developers to ignore local zoning regulations in return for building "affordable housing." At least a quarter of the units in a 40B project must be sold or rented at reduced rates to people whose incomes qualify as low or moderate. If towns with less than 10 percent of "affordable housing" reject 40B applications, or place burdensome conditions on them, the developers can appeal to the state Housing Appeals Committee.

Andover is close to obtaining the state's housing goal of having 10 percent of its housing deemed "affordable," which will give the town more control over development.

Even though only 25 percent of the Rolling Green development's units will actually be "affordable," the state formula counts all 191 units toward its 10 percent goal.

"It gets us over the 10 percent and then we can take a break," said Daniel Casper, zoning board chairman.

The board planned to close the hearing Monday night, but decided to take more time to analyze traffic patterns and studies. It is waiting to hear about the traffic patterns of Internal Revenue Service workers offered by David Parker, IRS chief of security and safety. An IRS facility is located almost directly across Lowell Street from the former Rolling Green site.

"Speaking for myself, I think the issue is traffic," said Casper. "Here, I think it's a serious issue."

Carol McDonough, zoning board member, nodded her head at Casper's remarks. But the primary concern for Casper is not that traffic on Route 133 will increase.

"What concerns me is people getting in and out of the site," said Casper.

People driving to the apartment units, four houses and the Boston Sports Club will all use the same entrance and exit driveway off Lowell Street.

The board will review traffic

information from three sources and discuss the finding on Sept. 11, after which it is expected to close the hearing.

Paul Hajec, president of Hajec Associates Inc., has been reviewing the safety and traffic issues involved in the project for the town. He said during the peak hour of traffic the site warranted a traffic light.

"It's based on the peak hour of traffic patterns that took place this June," he said. "Based on satisfying this warrant a traffic light should be installed."

But that does not mean one is coming, explained Kenneth Cram, of Vanasse & Associates Inc., hired by the developer.

"Just because a signal is warranted doesn't mean a signal will go in," Cram said.

Before a traffic light is installed actual counts need to be done with an existing building in use.

Cram told the board 18,750 vehicles per day currently pass by the site driveway that leads to the Boston Sports Club and golf course, based on a study that was performed in June. He said the average wait time to pull out onto the road was 28 seconds in the morning and 18 seconds in the evening.

Parker, chief of security and safety at the IRS, will bring a more in-depth look into the traffic patterns at its business.

He told the board the IRS has 3,500 employees during its peak season from February to the end of May, with people coming and going from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. During other months only about 1,000 people are employed at the site.

"I can't get into the plans of the IRS because it's changing," he said, indicating the change would include more all-year staffers. After the meeting, Parker said that change was not coming in the near future.

Parker also wanted to know if it would be possible to line up the entrance of the development with that of the IRS so that if a traffic light was installed it might serve both sides of the street.

"Personally, I would like to see lights involved," said Parker after the meeting. "The project's not the problem, it's the traffic."

Developer Jim O'Hare said moving the driveway was not going to be worked into the plans for the apartments.

The board touched on the possibility of a right-turn-only sign for certain times of the day. At this time, the developer has not been asked to move the driveway, and talk of a turn restriction is only an idea. "I think we can answer all of the board's concerns," said O'Hare.

POWDER MILL SQUARE HOUSING

After three years in court, developer files less aggressive North Main plan

By Andrea Gregory

The Planning Board will soon view new plans for a North Main Street housing project that was approved three years ago, and has been tied up in litigation ever since.

New plans for Powder Mill Square, to be built on the corner of North Main and Stevens streets, show a slimmed down project that creates housing only. The number of housing units has been reduced from 72 to 60, and the lone planned office building has been eliminated.

The Planning Board approved the original Powder Mill Square plan on April 26, 2000. On May 15, 2000 the board's decision was appealed by Peter Hadley, of 8 Joyce Terrace, an abutter to the property.

"It's my understanding that the (new) plans represent some sort of settlement agreement between the applicant and the abutter who filed the lawsuit," said Steve Colyer, planning director.

Colyer said the new plans will be treated by the town as a "brand-spanking new" project.

Hadley did not wish to comment and

members of the development team say the negotiation was only part of the reason for the changes. "I'm certain that litigation was not the only reason. There were other reasons," said Steve Stapinski, project engineer.

He said reasons included creating more open space by adding a park and a need to meet shifting market demands.

"We had a lot of concepts, but how do you satisfy what everyone wants?" he said, calling the new plans a "good collaboration effort."

Thomas D. Laudani, a principal developer of the project, said the plan did result from negotiations, but other issues shaped the redesign.

"Basically this property was in litigation," he said. "The new plans are a result of compromises and change in market."

He would not comment on the legal situation or whether he believes the new plans will convince Hadley to drop his appeal.

"We're optimistic about the outcome," he said. "We look forward to presenting this on Sept. 9." The Planning Board will open the public hearing for Powder Mill Square on Sept. 9 at 7:30 p.m.

The new plan

Out of the 60 units for sale, 15 percent will be "affordable" units counting toward the town's goal of obtaining a housing stock that is 10 percent "affordable."

"We're proposing a strictly residential project," said Karen Dollastrino, a developmental consultant and project manager for Powder Mill Square under the new proposal. "The last one had an office building and this one does not."

Dollastrino did not have any projected prices at this time for either the affordable or market-rate units.

According to Dollastrino, a four-story building with 39 condos will be built along North Main Street, where an office building was previously proposed. Along Stevens Street, eight townhouses and six townhouse flats - single-story apartments that look like townhouses from the outside - will be constructed. There will also be seven "loft homes," of 1,100 to 1,300 square feet. She said each unit will have two parking spaces, some in a garage and others in a lot. A circle park and play area would be built behind the structures.

BUDGET

Work begins to combine town, school tech

By Meir Rinde

When the town was having trouble making financial ends meet earlier this year, it spread the burden around.

Drivers using a town lot had to put extra coins in the meter. People needing copies of records from the town clerk had to pay more. So did carpenters who needed their work reviewed by the building inspector.

These ways of bringing in more money were suggested by town workers who brainstormed last summer, with Andover facing tough financial times.

It worked once, town leaders say, so why not try it again.

As the town struggles to absorb a \$300,000 deficit without asking residents to approve a tax hike, Andover will bring together its computer and finance experts to suggest ways of saving money.

Similar sessions with 40 town employees last summer resulted in increases in building inspection and town clerk fees, which were lower than in other area communities, and a hike in parking meter fees. Budget Director Anthony Torrisi said.

Computer experts, accountants, maintenance staff and other workers for the town and schools will come up with ideas for saving time and money.

They will ask Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski and Superintendent Claudia Bach to quickly approve the changes.

"The idea is that within 90 days of the 'workout' you'll have implemented the

proposals," Selectman Brian Major said, referring to the session where ideas would be generated.

If the workers find ways to save the \$300,000, town leaders can avoid going to residents next month looking for the money at a Special TownMeeting.

Major, who met last week with Torrisi and School Committee members Art Barber and Tony James to plan the sessions, would not say what changes in town government might result from the meetings, which he has tentatively scheduled to begin in mid-September.

Torrisi said involving workers could be "sensitive" and the sessions should include selectmen and other top officials instead. But the others insisted that workers would know best where improvements could be made.

"You don't get the bosses to figure it out," James said. "You go to the people who work in these departments."

The process must involve both school and town workers and any new methods of saving money should affect both groups, they said. As an example, they said, the separate school and town information systems departments could make sure they are using the same software for certain needs like accounting, payroll or purchasing. Torrisi said in many cases they already use the same software.

Earlier this year, School Committee member Christopher Smith said slashing the number of school technology employees from 16 to nine and combining them

with the town's Information Systems Department could save \$500,000 and help prevent teacher layoffs.

But Major and the others said they wanted to focus more on methods such as reducing unnecessary tasks or expenses, keeping smaller amounts of supplies in storage and freeing up workers for more important duties.

"The intention here is not to eliminate jobs," Barber said.

They planned to ask employees to think about a relatively simple problem or "nut" to set a precedent for how the process would work in the future, they said.

"Once we get a success under our belt, the ball will start to roll," Barber said.

The meeting was part of a larger effort by the town to find savings following cuts in the amount of money it receives from the state. The \$113 million budget for fiscal 2004 includes \$9.1 million in state aid, \$2 million less than last year.

To absorb the loss, the town and schools together eliminated 66 jobs, in part by laying off 29 teachers. Then this summer the Legislature approved even deeper cuts in state aid than the town had anticipated, creating a new \$300,000 hole in Andover's budget.

Long-term proposals recently suggested for improving the town's balance sheet include charging residents a new trash fee, selling bottled town water and giving workers a financial reward for ideas that save money.

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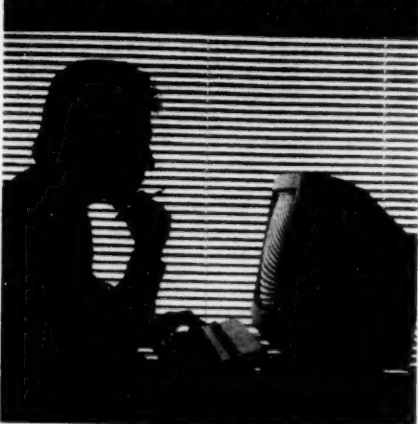
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OBITUARIES

Frederick E. Allen Jr.

Funeral director was class of '60 football and track star at AHS

Frederick E. Allen Jr., 61, of Ogunquit, Maine and formerly of Lawrence, died Friday, Aug. 8 at York Hospital in York, Maine, after a courageous battle with cancer.

He was born in Lawrence and educated in Andover. He graduated from Pike School in 1956 and from Andover High School as a member of the class of 1960.

At Andover High, Mr. Allen was a noted athlete, holding records in football and track.

"Fred loved his life and was a friend to all as he was always the first one to help in any way. If Fred couldn't do it, he knew someone who could, and seemed like he always made it happen," said Kathy McGurran, a friend and former secretary.

Mr. Allen was recognized for his good works by the Lawrence Exchange Club as one of the first recipients of their Book of Golden Deeds. The award was presented at a sold-out ceremony. He was also a member of the Lawrence Exchange Club, where he worked every year at their major fund-raiser, Octoberfest.

Mr. Allen was an enthusiastic and generous supporter of local fire and police departments, especially the Lawrence fire and police departments. He was honored by the Lawrence Fire Department numerous times and was named an honorary member of Local 146 as he was on the department's call list to respond to general alarm fires.

Family members said he usually brought the coffee and his faithful companion, Hobo.

He was a member of and received special recognition from the 100 Club of Massachusetts, which supports the families of deceased members of fire and police departments. He so loved animals that he purchased a K-9 dog for the Lawrence and Methuen police departments.

Mr. Allen was a funeral director who owned and operated the Frederick E. Allen & Son Funeral Home, formerly of Lawrence and Andover. He worked with his father for 17 years until his father's death in 1979.

He then operated the business on Broadway in Lawrence and was there until he semi-retired in 1999, joining the staff of the Cataudella Funeral Home in Methuen. He was a member of the Mass. Association of Funeral Directors and National Association of Funeral Directors.

Mr. Allen was also a Mason and a member of the Holy Family Men's Guild.

In 2002, he retired to Ogunquit, Maine with his wife, Cheryl (Miller) Allen.

In addition to his wife, members of his family include his son, John J. Broderick of Quincy; two sisters, Martha and her husband George D. Walsh of Andover, and Priscilla and her husband Robert Doel of Fairfield, Maine; and two nieces, Elizabeth D. Walsh of Salisbury, and Katherine Erin Condon of Townsend.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of one's choice.

Arrangements were by Cataudella Funeral Home, 126 Pleasant Valley St., Methuen.

Joseph L. Catanzaro Jr.

Owned bread delivery company

Joseph L. Catanzaro Jr., 58, of Andover, died Friday, Aug. 8 at home.



Joseph L. Catanzaro Jr.

Born in Boston, Mr. Catanzaro was proprietor of the J.L. Distributor Co., a company delivering bread to retail locations in New Hampshire and Maine, for the past 15 years.

Family members said he enjoyed golf and was a collector of model cars.

Members of his family include his wife of 36 years, Gale A. (Batchelder) Catanzaro; daughters, Leigh Ann and her husband Jeff Marks of Dracut and Andrea Lyn and her husband David Bailey of Andover; his parents, Joseph and Loretta (Welch) Catanzaro of Boynton Beach, Fla.; a sister, Lisa Marie Collins of Georgetown; three grandchildren; and several

nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or Merrimack Valley Hospice, 360 Merrimack St., Lawrence, MA 01843.

There were no calling hours. Funeral services will be held today, Thursday, Aug. 14 at 2 p.m. at the West Parish Church, Andover.

Private burial will take place in West Parish Garden Cemetery.

Arrangements are by Dewhurst & Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence St., Andover.

Germaine M. Walker

Worked at Shawsheen Mills, Western Electric

Germaine M. (Rheume) Walker, 88, of Andover, died Saturday, Aug. 9 at home.

Born in Lawrence, she attended Sacred Heart School.

Mrs. Walker had worked at the former Shawsheen Mills in Andover and in food service at the former Western Electric of North Andover until she retired in 1979.

She was a member of Sacred Heart Church in Lawrence.

She was the widow of Clifford Walker.

Members of her family include her daughters, Ellen Walker of Andover with whom she lived, and Jayne and her husband David Perkins of Salem, N.H.; a brother, Paul Rheume of Methuen; a sister, Rolande McAllister of Andover; two grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to Merrimack Valley Hospice, 360 Merrimack Street, Building 9, Lawrence, MA 01843.

There were no calling hours and funeral services were private.

Arrangements were by the Arthur J. Scott Funeral Home, 298 South Broadway, Lawrence.

Jason C. Wright

Longtime resident, retired Raytheon executive

Jason C. Wright, 75, a former longtime Andover resident, died Tuesday, Aug. 12 in Cottage Hospital in Santa Barbara, Calif. after a short illness.

Mr. Wright was born in Yankton, S.D. He attended high school in Amarillo, Texas, and graduated from Purdue University in 1948.

He was a veteran of World War II.

He was a longtime employee of Raytheon Missile Systems in West Andover and retired as employment manager in 1987.

Upon retirement, he moved to Meredith, N.H., and then to Santa Maria, Calif. in 1999.

While living in Andover, Mr. Wright was an active member of South Congregational Church.

Between 1958 and 1987, his contributions included serving as a member of the board of deacons, the Sunday school superintendent, chairman of the Christian education committee, and member of the nominating committee. In 1972, he and his late wife, Marilyn, were delegates to the Massachusetts Conference.

Mr. Wright enjoyed playing golf and was a member of the

DEATHS

Frederick E. Allen Jr., 61
Roy J. Bouse
Anna M. Caruso, 89
Joseph L. Catanzaro Jr., 58
Hazel M. Healy, 89
Dorothy McGuire, 93
John L. McHale Jr., 73
Germaine M. Walker, 88
Cynthia Carroll Wildes, 76
Jason C. Wright, 75

DEATHS ELSEWHERE

HEALY - Hazel M. (O'Brien) Healy, 89, of Lawrence, died Sunday, Aug. 10 at Holy Family Hospital in Methuen. She worked at Gillette Co. in Andover for 10 years before retiring in 1980.

McHALE - John L. "Jack" McHale Jr., 73, of Lowell, died Friday, Aug. 8 at Saints Memorial Medical Center. He worked at Indian Ridge Country Club in Andover.

Andover, Indian Ridge, North Andover, and Waukegan country clubs at various times in his life.

Family members said he generously donated his time and talents to various civic and charitable organizations.

In June, 1971, he was selected by a group of prominent community leaders led by the late Irving Rogers Sr. to be the first president of the Greater Lawrence Community Drug Council. The GLCDC pioneered efforts to maintain a residential drug treatment center (Challenge House) as well as numerous store-front drug counseling and education centers in the Merrimack Valley.

Family members said he was loved and respected by all who knew him. They said he was a caring neighbor, a responsible citizen and a loving father.

He was the widower of Marilyn Wilcox Wright, to whom he was married for 48 years.

Members of his family include two sons, David Wilcox Wright and William Lowell Wright and his wife Barbara Hillmann Wright, all of Andover; a daughter, Diane Wright Knowlson and her husband, Daniel Knowlson, of Santa Maria, Calif.; and six grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held tomorrow, Friday, Aug. 15 at 11 a.m. at South Congregational Church in Andover.

Anna M. Caruso

Was group leader at Raytheon

Anna M. (Fugge) Caruso, 89, of Andover died Saturday, Aug. 9 at Caritis Holy Family Hospital Methuen.

She was born and educated in Methuen. She worked as a group leader for 25 years at Raytheon Co. in Waltham and Andover until her retirement.

She was the widow of Gaetano Caruso.

Members of her family include her daughters, Beatrice Caruso of Andover and Patricia and her husband J. Randol DiGloria of Methuen; brothers, Samuel Fugge and his wife Edna of Salisbury, Armand Fugge of Methuen and Alfred Fugge of Santa Ana, Calif.; a sister, Yolanda Bovard of San Antonio, Texas; one granddaughter, Toniann and her husband Rick Kalleis; a great-grandson, Randol Kalleis, all of Methuen; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to Home Health VNA 360 Merrimack St., Bldg 9, Lawrence, MA 01843.

Arrangements were by Cataudella Funeral Home, 126 Pleasant Valley St., Methuen.

Roy J. Bouse

Attended Boston Conservatory of Music

Roy J. Bouse of Andover died Tuesday, Aug. 12 at Lawrence General Hospital.

Born in Patterson, N.J., Mr. Bouse attended Boston Conser-

vatory of Music and was a machinist at Walbar Industries.

Members of his family include his wife of 42 years, Marianna (Bolduc) Bouse; a son, William and his wife Clare Bouse of Haverhill; stepchildren, Richard and his wife Pauline Raymond of Nashua, N.H., Rene and his wife Nancy of Hudson, N.H., Harry and his wife Patty Raymond of Methuen, Rita and her husband Paul Cavallaro of Haverhill and Diane and her husband Ron Roe of Haverhill; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was the stepfather of the late Marice Raymond.

Calling hours are today, Thursday, Aug. 14 at Davis Funeral Home, One Lock St., Nashua, N.H.

Funeral services will be tomorrow, Friday, Aug. 15 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Edgewood Cemetery, Nashua.

Memorial contributions may be made to Merrimack Valley Hospice, Attn. Community Relations, 360 Merrimack St., Bldg. 9, Lawrence, MA 01843.

Dorothy McGuire

Sales director at Methuen farm for many years

Dorothy (Findeisen) McGuire, 93, died Friday, Aug. 8 at Academy Manor Nursing Home in Andover.

She was director of sales at Findeisen Farms in Methuen for many years.

Born in Methuen, Mrs. McGuire graduated from Edward F. Searles High School and later from business college. She was a member of the Methuen Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Members of her family include a daughter, Dorothy C. and her husband Bruce Dearden of Methuen; a sister, Mildred Findeisen of Methuen; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; a great-great-grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Aug. 16 at 2 p.m. at Methuen Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, 122 Jackson St., Methuen. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery at the family's convenience.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Methuen Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, 122 Jackson St., Methuen, MA 01844; or the Alzheimer's Association, 36 Cameron St., Cambridge, MA 02140.

Arrangements are by Pollard Funeral Home, 233 Lawrence St., Methuen.

Cynthia C. Wildes

Was Andover teacher from 1951 to 1973

Cynthia Carroll (Noone) Wildes, 76, of Largo, Fla. and formerly of Newburyport and Salisbury, died Saturday, Aug. 9 at the Nurses Loving Hearts

Center in Largo.

She was a teacher in Andover from 1951 to 1973 and was once president of the Andover Teachers' Association.

Born in Newburyport and educated in Newburyport and Salisbury, she graduated from Abbot Academy in Andover in 1946. She received her master's in education from Boston University, where she had been elected to the Scarlet Key honor activities society and to Alpha Phi, women's international fraternity.

Mrs. Wildes was a member of West Newbury Congregational Church, active in church work, assembly of public affairs, history club and English club.

She was a benefactor of the Salisbury Historical Society, New England Historic and Genealogical Society, the Conservative Congregational Conference and the Historical Society of Olde Newbury.

She was elected to the Delta Kappa Gamma Society in 1956, later serving as president of the Epsilon Chapter of Massachusetts.

Mrs. Wildes was also a member and registrar of the Olde Newbury Chapter, the Huguenot Society of Massachusetts, the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the Sons and Daughters of the First Settlers of Newbury, serving terms as corresponding secretary, and first and second vice president, Piscataqua Pioneers, Colonial Clergy and the Salisbury Historical Society, where she chaired the Salisbury bicentennial exhibits.

In Florida, she became a member of the Breakfast Club in Clearwater, the Suncoast Seabird Sanctuary and the Pinellas County Historical Society.

She was the widow of Warren E. Wildes.

Members of her family include her godchild, Major Jan E. Inglis of Germany; friend, Jean M. Gerstenhaber of Lynn; and several cousins.

There are no calling hours. Funeral services will be Monday, Aug. 18 at 10 a.m. at West Newbury Congregational Church.

Burial will follow in Maplewood Cemetery, Salisbury.

Memorial contributions may be made to the West Newbury Congregational Church, 308 Main St., West Newbury, MA 01985; or the charity of one's choice.

Arrangements are by Elliott, Woodworth & Rogers, 35 Green Street, Newburyport.

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ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

10 Years Ago - Aug. 12, 1993

James Sutton, a career library administrator, will be Memorial Library's new director as of Monday, Sept. 13. Mr. Sutton, 46, has been the director of the Morse Institute, Natick's public library, for the past 14 years.

Although the teen members of Club Hurrah have learning disabilities, Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, language disorders, and several types of mental retardation, Diana Neel, the group's director, said they are not much different from other teens. Club Hurrah works to integrate special needs teens into the community through the club's motto of "safety, independence, appropriate, and most important, fun."

25 Years Ago - Aug. 10, 1978

The regional library facility, now located in the Theater Building on Essex Street, may soon be looking for space elsewhere. State library officials have indicated to Town Manager Jared S. A. Clark that they are not interested in being relocated to the Cardinal Cushing Gymnasium in Shawsheen and are interested in a long-term lease, which the town is not in a position to accommodate, at the moment, according to the manager.

The Turner Farm house, barn and an acre of land are under an agreement for sale, according to Douglas N. Howe, Jr., of the Howe Agency. Howe said this week the property boundaries

are currently being revised between the owners and the purchaser. The total parcel was subject to Town Meeting action this year when conservationists urged the town to purchase the entire parcel and possibly continue its use as a farm.

Town Manager Jared S. A. Clark and other officials are currently reviewing proposals to retain an auditing firm to review the town's financial operations for the first time since 1976.

Dorothy Winn, director of Elder Affairs for the town of Andover, was recently elected the first woman chairman of the board of trustees of the Merrimack Valley Health Planning Council.

Contract agreements were worked out between the town and architects for the proposed school-renovation project at a meeting of the school building committee this week.

The Massachusetts State Frisbee Championship will be held Aug. 12 in Reading.

50 Years Ago - Aug. 13, 1953

An unusual and entertaining program will be featured at Tyer Rubber Company's "Open House," Saturday, Aug. 15, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Celebrating the opening of the new addition to their plant, Tyer employees, their families and friends will have an opportunity to go through the many departments of this well-known industry. They will see how a multitude

of products are made and processed and the part they play in the lives of so many people everywhere. Featured as part of the entertainment program will be a fashion show with a cast of professional models showing a group of Tyer products, both footwear and industrial. A stage and a runway has been constructed in the new building for the show.

A ring which William Hulse of Shawsheen Road, lost five years ago was found recently and returned to its owner.

State police armed with a search warrant raided a private home in Shawsheen Village shortly after midnight last Friday morning and took six men into custody. They were booked at the local police station, and in Lawrence District Court later in the morning they were allowed to plead and were fined \$5 each on the charge of participating in an unlawful game, cards.

Handiwork done by the children on all five of the local playgrounds this summer is being displayed this week in the windows of two stores on Main Street. One display is at Simeone's and the other at Reinhold's new location.

Three rooms on the first floor of the old Stowe School are being prepared to take classes when schools open next month.

Work is advancing at the Shawsheen School to provide for a cafeteria in that building. At the same time, two new first-

3 hours after returning home from Iraq

Marine remembered by family, work

Marine Reservist Dale Racicot died three hours upon arriving home from Iraq, leaving his co-workers at Vicor Corp. in Andover stunned and saddened.

"He would always help us out," said co-worker Daniel Castro of Salem, N.H. "If I ran into some difficulty ... I could turn to him and he'd drop what he was doing. The younger guys really looked up to him."

"We were pretty devastated in here. We were pretty shaken up," Castro said.

A master sergeant in Iraq involved in the dramatic rescue of Army Pfc. Jessica Lynch of Palestine, W.Va., Racicot returned to his Weare, N.H., home Friday night to the "reunion of a lifetime" as one daughter described it.

Three hours later he was

dead of a heart attack.

In an interview on Tuesday, widow Janet Racicot sat at a dining room table covered with photos, souvenirs from the war and her husband's sweat-stained helmet band on which he wrote a paraphrase of Psalm 91: "No harm will befall me, no disaster shall come near my tent." Scared he would never see his wife and two daughters again, Racicot's wife said his faith led him to believe he would return safely. "He took God at His word. He believed in this scripture," she said.

Shortly after the war began, she said, a missile landed within a quarter mile of Racicot's tent. She recited Psalm 91 every day for his safe return.

"We had three hours," said daughter Keri Magnarelli, 24.

"They were the most precious hours we could have asked for."

In Kuwait and Iraq, Racicot, 54, headed a six-member intelligence team that analyzed statements from Iraqi prisoners of war. In civilian life, he had been the lead mechanical engineer at Vicor Corp. The company makes power supplies and other electrical equipment and Racicot helped design the assembly lines that built the electronic components the company made, said Castro.

Vicor senior human resources director Ann Carroll said the company is taking up a memorial collection from employees to be sent to the troops in Iraq as the family had asked.

— From Eagle-Tribune and wire reports

Lifestyle choice: Downtown or West Andover

■ WEST SIDE STORY

Continued from page 1

ers say West Andover is too far out of the way and they are willing to pay more for homes close to town. It's a matter of priorities and preference.

"I agree you get more bang for the buck in West Andover, but a lot of my clientele wants to live closer to town," said local realtor Deborah Perrone of Prudential Howe and Doherty on Main Street. "So, in-town (homes) can demand more money."

Perrone said the south quadrant of Andover is a hot-spot for real estate these days. Boston commuters want to get off Interstate 93 quickly, she said, and the Route 125 exit (number 41) in southern Andover is four exits earlier than the River Road exit in West Andover (number 45).

"Even though it's just a couple of exits, it counts to Boston commuters," she said.

Just this week, realtor Buck showed a couple a Pleasant Street home in West Andover. Then, they clocked the distance to downtown — six miles to Central Street, he said. West Andover was deemed too far from downtown and the couple made an offer on a home closer to town.

"Sure, there's more bang for the buck in West Andover and if you want more house for your dollars, you go there," Buck said. "We've known for a long time that you get more house in West Andover and it's still holding true."

"Some people want the woods and don't like the downtown density."

"Lifestyle is what it comes down to," said realtor Chris Doherty, also of Prudential Howe and Doherty.

"The downtown market is a market onto itself," he said, "while the West Andover subdivisions, with cul-de-sacs, offer that kind of family environment that some buyers want."

It's that family environment that Ellen Clancy of Chongris Circle especially enjoys about her West Andover cul-de-sac.

"It's not that far," she said of the distance to downtown. "We're three miles from downtown. I used to live in Colorado in a gated community and it was three miles to the gate."

"It's very pretty out here and I really like it. I never think of those three miles. I mean, once you're in the car, what's another five minutes anyway? So you get somewhere at 5:35 instead of 5:30."

This mother of three also enjoys the closeness of Chandler Field — located in West Andover. It's barely a two-minute drive from home for this mom of two baseball-playing sons. The proposed youth center will be built in West Andover.

Linda Ritchie lives on River Road and she likes the country

feeling of West Andover.

"I grew up in New Hampshire so I like having more land," said the mother of four, who has more than an acre of land.

She has been living in her

house for two years. She said she looked at downtown property as she hunted for her house, but it was more expensive at the time and she wanted yard space for her kids.

She agreed that West

Andover is a lifestyle choice — and it's working for her family.

"It's a different type of living, per se, and it's not downtown living, and we have to drive into town. But I've got a big backyard," she said.



Dan Buggy makes sure the bolts are tight on the High Plain Elementary School playground that parents and other volunteers started constructing on Saturday.

High Plain area popular

Class sizes highest at West Andover school

By Judy Wakefield

Andover's west side elementary school, High Plain Elementary, is sure to be the most crowded school in town when classes start in three weeks.

Local realtors say young families looking to buy a home are wowed by the new school campus, located on Cross Street. The school is definitely playing a role in West Andover home sales.

"A lot of people like that new school," said local realtor Tom Carroll of Remax Partners of Park Street. "The desirability increases daily and all the feedback we receive about those schools is positive. People like it."

"Having that school in West Andover is a value enhancer to properties," added realtor Chris Doherty of Prudential Doherty and Howe on Main Street.

But the compliments may be adding up to too many kids at the year-old school.

The latest enrollment numbers for every school in town show High Plain clearly has the most crowded first-, third- and fifth-grade

classrooms. The plan to shift at least 14 third-graders to other schools failed miserably as just one parent voluntarily agreed to move a third-grader to another school.

There's no sure-fire way to predict the number of new kids at a school, according to High Plain Principal Brenda O'Brien. It's a numbers game and all she can do is watch the numbers.

"We're building a great school community here and I know people want to be here," she said.

At least seven new families have registered at High Plain this summer. There are two new families from Somerset Drive and two more from Greybirch Road. Brown Street, Jordyn Lane and Ravens Bluff each have one new family. O'Brien said. All of the new students have been counted in enrollment data given to the School Committee.

The surge in new registrations in town has not yet peaked as parents new to town typically wait until just before school starts to regis-

ter. So, classes could have even more kids.

Down the road, numbers from three housing development projects in the works could also add more kids to the school. There are 231 units in the works on Andover's west side. Two of those developments are slated for River Road, while a 20-unit development at the intersection of Greenwood and Chandler roads, has also been approved by the zoning board.

No one is talking about redistricting and the School Committee chairwoman says it's not a topic on any agenda. School officials are used to enrollment peaks and valleys. Tina Girdwood remembers when Bancroft Elementary School experienced some growing pains about 20 years ago and parents survived the crowded classrooms.

"We will never have equal numbers everywhere. That's not the way life works," she said. "As sympathetic as I am, this is one of the problems we've got."

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Opinion

A chance to take advantage

STUDENTS AT THE GREATER LAWRENCE TECHNICAL SCHOOL on River Road in Andover produce 1,400 meals per day for hungry elders in the Meals on Wheels program. Cosmetology students cut and style the hair of interested residents, and these residents also save a few bucks. Andover High School's champion swim team uses the school's pool. In total, the technical school has 53 community service projects benefiting the town of Andover. When the construction at the school is done, conference space will be made available to local businesses and other groups.

But the one obvious missing link between the school on River Road and the town of Andover is in its student population. Each year, only a handful of Andover students attend the school, even though many more Andover kids will one day enter fields in which the technical school trains kids to succeed. "Imagine if someday we had 100 kids here from Andover - 25 per class. That would be a great, great dream, and kids from different communities can teach each other things," said Superintendent Frank Vacirca earlier this summer.

Another option is to establish a partnership between Andover High and the technical school that allows Andover High kids to take one course at GLTS. Many people today can't make the basic repairs to household items that their parents took for granted. Andover students could learn some useful skills in fields such as cooking, cosmetology, design and business. Considering the cuts to many similar elective programs in the Andover middle schools and at Andover High, it seems many kids could benefit from spending their study hall time at the Greater Lawrence Technical School in such programs. Vacirca is willing to try this. It's worth exploring.

Web question

How much herbicide?

Last week's *Townsmen* Web-site question was: The Conservation Commission demolished a ramshackle house on an island on Fosters Pond in January and left a big pile of debris behind. Some residents complain it is unsightly, while others say the pile could pose a danger for kids. What should be done? There were 39 votes.

26, or 67 percent, said, "The Conservation Commission made the mess, they should clean it up."

6, or 15 percent, said, "If the residents are so concerned, why don't they hold a neighborhood clean-up day?"

2, or 5 percent, said, "There's an island on Fosters Pond? Who knew?"

4, or 10 percent, said, "No one lives on the island. Given the budget deficit, let's leave it be."

1, or 3 percent, said, "Other."

This week's question: **Some Andover residents who live near ponds want to keep their water holes from turning into swamps and have**

proposed the use of herbicides. The state has approved some herbicides as safe in certain situations. What should happen?

- Andover's weed- and algae-clogged ponds are the victims of fertilizer run-off. The problem is man-made and residents should be able to protect areas on or affecting their property.

- Ponds eventually fill up with vegetation and turn into swamps. Residents are fighting an expensive, and potentially dangerous battle.

- Curb the chemicals. Pesticide overuse in Andover is rampant and no one knows what long-term affects this will have on children, adults, pets and everything else that lives in town.

- Pesticides can be used in some areas but not others. The town does not seem to have a consistent policy but should have one, and should present it clearly.

- Other.

To cast a vote, surf to www.andovertownsmen.com.

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PULLING THE PLUG



Andover public works employees work to unclog a storm drain as flash floods rise at the bottom of School Street on Tuesday. Flood waters rose to about 1.5 feet at the deepest part. Workers were able to clear the drain.

LETTERS

A note to parents irked by new math program

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Our district completed its fourth year of implementation of the Connected Mathematics Project last year. This effective curriculum is the only middle-school mathematics curricula to receive the "exemplary" designation from the United States Department of Education Expert Panel. The American Association of the Advancement of Science rates CMP the highest in a ranking of 12 middle-school mathematics curricula.

The Connected Mathematics Project was funded by the National Science Foundation to help students develop understanding of important concepts and ways of reasoning and communicating in all strands of mathematics. Connected Mathematics is a problem-centered teaching model that opens the mathematics classroom to exploring, conjecturing, reasoning and communicating. Classes are driven by interesting real word problems that the curriculum uses to challenge students' thinking and engage students in problem-solving. Studies show that CMP students outperform students using other mathematics curricula on MCAS-type tests of problem-solving ability, and conceptual understanding. These results are from studies that include students from all types of socioeconomic communities and schools and studies that include gifted students. (See www.math.msu.edu/cmp/Rep-Stu.html.) The days of advanced classes for select middle-school students are gone. The heterogeneous groupings suggested by CMP benefit all students.

Students need to learn more than just algorithms and tedious procedures that demand little or no understanding. Students need to believe that mathematics is more than just dull calculations and rules to memorize. Students from traditional curricula may become adept at performing specific types of problems that were modeled by the teacher, but they may not be able to succeed on problems that they have never encountered before. Reasoning and understanding need to be an integral part of succeeding in mathematics.

I was a pilot teacher for Continued on page 9

About 'Thursday File'

Steve MacDowall started the file on the Internet. The Web site for his creation is www.hudson-vanloo.ca and it suggests books to read and offers quotations such as the ones on this page.

Concrete example of waste



Neil Fater

There are some things I don't understand. People who grow mutton chops. The need for the new *Love Boat*. Russian.

But none of these bother me. (Well, except for mutton chops. That's just wrong.) What I neither understand nor can dismiss is vandalism. If there's anything more senseless than destroying perfectly good items because a person is bored, well, I don't know what it is, but I bet it involves Anna Nicole Smith in some fashion.

I mention vandalism because the town just spent \$6,550 to set a concrete walkway behind the library. The library had a perfectly good and attractive brick walkway that should have lasted many more years, but some people decided they would spend their weekends digging up the bricks and throwing them around the library parking lot. Eventually, the town decided to take care of the problem, by pouring concrete.

I know what you're thinking. In a more than \$100 million budget, \$6,550 isn't much. What could it buy, right?

"People could skate for free at the skate park all summer," says Bill Fahey, youth services director. The town collects less than that in fees each year. The money could also have paid for the popular youth services workers to run an

after-school program for middle school kids three days per week from September through June. The money is enough to hire someone to help kids at the library's young adult desk for 12½ hours every week. Hours there had to be scaled back because of budget cuts this year.

Some people might say the town shouldn't have spent the money on this project. They'll say the town overreacted. But nowadays the town has to worry about someone tripping in a hole and hauling the town into court. Library workers regularly were finding the bricks strewn around the parking lot. They worried that, eventually, someone would turn around and toss a brick through a library window.

So, out went all the bricks - and with them enough money to buy more than 300 library books. Or enough money to pay for a part-time instructional assistant to help teach kids in some of Andover's most crowded classrooms. Or enough to eliminate fees that kids pay to join a handful of clubs, such as high school yearbook.

It's true that the \$6,550 the town spent to fix the back walkway probably would not have been spent on any of these things. The budget doesn't really work that way. But the cash could have been spent on something. Or it could have been saved, a tiny sum to prevent more tax increases.

But brick by brick, vandalism cost the town. I don't understand it, but I know I don't like it.

It stinks more than that new *Love Boat*.

Neil Fater is editor of the *Andover Townsmen*.

With Lyme Disease growing, information should too

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I think Andrea Dickey's article on Lyme Disease (*Townsmen*, Aug. 7) was important to raise people's awareness of the increasing problem of Lyme Disease in this area. However, for such a serious topic, I believe more thorough information should have been provided.

According to a pamphlet published by the Lyme Disease Foundation (LDF), "Lyme Disease usually starts with flu-like symptoms. Only 60 to 70 percent of light-skinned patients notice an enlarging rash days to weeks after a tick bite." The rash may vary considerably in size, shape, color, and location. The article states that a rash "...often starts as a small, red area (at the bite site) and then may spread, leaving what

appears to be a doughnut-like hole in the middle." But, according to the LDF, "The 'bull's-eye' rash is not the most common presentation."

It also reports, "Sometimes, skin discoloration around the bite site occurs during the bite or soon after tick removal. If it disappears within a day it is most likely the skin's reaction to the wound and not a sign of LD infection." It would be too bad if someone bitten by a tick didn't suspect Lyme Disease if he or she developed an odd rash in a totally different location than the bite site. It should be emphasized that flu-like symptoms are the most common clinical diagnosis. The article seems to put the emphasis on the rash and mention the flu-like symptoms as secondary.

Another important topic is the proper method of tick removal. For further information, the article suggested visiting the Massachusetts Department of Public Health's Web site. However, I think it would be equally (or more) important to have included the Lyme Disease Foundation's Web site and perhaps its hotline telephone number. I have found that its Web site and brochures provide much more detailed and extensive educational information [Lyme Disease Foundation: www.Lyme.org; Hotline: 800-866-LYME].

The disease is definitely spreading in this area, and I believe it is important to present more of the facts.

Lee L. Lee
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THE THURSDAY FILE

Without discipline, there's no life at all.

KATHARINE HEPBURN

There is no more noble occupation in the world than to assist another human being - to help someone succeed.

ALAN LOY MCGINNIS

The world is all gates, all opportunities, strings of tension waiting to be struck.

RALPH WALDO EMERSON

A father is a banker provided by nature.

FRENCH PROVERB

I never met anybody who learned by talking.

ELVIS PRESLEY

If you don't understand yourself you don't understand anybody else.

NIKKI GIOVANNI

If I had to choose my driving force, it would be passion.

ANITA RODDICK

If the nation's economists were laid end to end, they would point in all directions.

ARTHUR H. MOTLEY

Friendship is a strong habitual inclination in two persons to promote the good and happiness of one another.

EUSTACE BUDGELL

Order is a lovely thing; On disarray it lays its wing, Teaching simplicity to sing.

ANNA HEMPSTEAD BRANCH

The Eleanor Roosevelt quotation

Friendship with oneself is all-important because, without it, one cannot be friends with anyone else in the world.

LETTERS

Abandoned rabbits

Network exists to help rabbits, offer advice to new bunny owners

Editor, Townsman:

In mid-July, an unidentified man was spotted in Deyermund Field abandoning more than a dozen rabbits. These domesticated rabbits, scared and disoriented, would have had little chance of survival were it not for the kindness of many Andover — and local — residents. As recently reported in the *Andover Townsman* ("Rabbit multiplication" in Town Talk, July 24), Nicolette Heavey began the rescue and sought homes for the rabbits. In subsequent days, others returned to the field, sometimes remaining for hours, attempting to rescue more of the rabbits.

Nancy Preston, Martha Wright, Jonathan Jenkins, and Karen Reed are among those who gave these rabbits a chance. We at House Rabbit Network appreciate the efforts in helping the innocent victims in this story: the rabbits. Because of these people, as well as the softball players,

coaches, and parents on those fields who helped and provided encouragement during rescues, this unfortunate situation can have a happy ending.

Rabbits make wonderful indoor pets. Once spayed or neutered and litter-box trained, a rabbit can be a wonderful addition to a family. They have unique personalities and are extremely social animals.

We encourage those who offered a home to one of these rabbits, have a rabbit, or might be interested in adopting one of the remaining rabbits, to contact the House Rabbit Network at www.rabbitnetwork.org, or call 78-431-1211. We have experienced volunteers who can answer questions. In addition, we can use foster homes and other volunteers to help us find homes for the remaining rabbits.

Kathie Duffy
32 Paddock Lane
North Andover
House Rabbit Network

Benefits to town's new math program

TEACHER LETTER

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nected Mathematics during the 1998-1999 school year. I had classes in grade 6, grade 7 and grade 8. I then taught mathematics using CMP to eighth-graders during the subsequent two school years. I saw first-hand how this program piqued student curiosity, and helped students uncover important mathematical relationships and develop problem-solving strategies and skills. On many occasions my students would shout out with excitement that they got it (the mathematical concept embedded in the problem)! I have studied the Connected

Mathematics curricula at Michigan State University where it was developed. After having had the privilege of both studying and teaching CMP, I now see mathematics through a new lens. Although I was an honors student of mathematics in high school and college, I have experienced my own "ah-ha" moments from this rich curriculum that emphasizes inquiry and discovery of mathematical ideas.

Nancy McLaughlin
22 Saltonstall Road
Haverhill

(The letter writer is a math teacher in the Lawrence public schools.)

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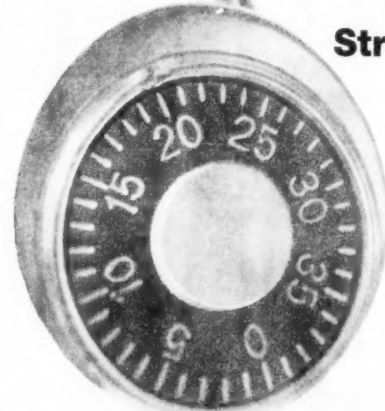
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ARRESTS

Thursday, Aug. 7 - At 3:59 p.m. detectives stopped a drug deal at the Rolling Green Mobil Station. Mitchell Zewley, 40, of 23 Clark St., Malden, was arrested and charged with possession of heroin, possession of a hypodermic needle, possession of prescription drugs with intent to distribute and driving with a revoked license. He was also wanted on a warrant for license suspension and driving without a seat belt. Susan Whalen, 28, of 85 Morton Ave., Medford, was arrested and charged with knowing where heroin was kept.

William Snow, 39, of 32 Forest Ave., Everett, was arrested and charged with negligent operation of a motor vehicle, failing to stop for police, possession of heroin with intent to distribute and possession of heroin.

John Sheehan, 36, of 156 Kenoza Ave., Haverhill, was arrested and charged with possession of prescription drugs, knowing where heroin was kept and driving under the influence.

William Connelly, 32, of 286 Riverside Ave., Medford, was arrested and charged with knowing where heroin was kept.

Frank Sardone, 28, of 89 Laurel St., Malden, was arrested and charged with identity fraud, giving a false name during booking, possession of a hypodermic needle and knowing where heroin was kept. He was also wanted on warrant charges of driving under the influence of drugs, two counts of possession of heroin, failure to use a turn signal,

making an imperfect turn, two counts of driving with a suspended license and failure to yield at an intersection.

Saturday, Aug. 9 - At 10:35 p.m. a caller's vehicle was hit by a beer can. He followed the car that threw it at him and it went to a large party being thrown on Candlewood Drive. The teens inside locked the doors and turned out all the lights when an officer showed up. License plates were checked and parents were called. Jenny Muller, 19, of 18 Candlewood Drive, was arrested and charged with keeping a noisy and disorderly house.

Monday, Aug. 11 - At 10:48 p.m., a clerk at the Marriott Courtyard on Campanelli Road, reported that she received an anonymous tip of a big drug deal going on at the hotel. At 12:57 a.m., Samuel Guzman, 21, 63 Brookfield St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with trafficking heroin, possession of heroin, possession of a hypodermic needle, and having controlled substances in, on or near a school or playground. At 1:32 a.m., Pedro Santiago, 19, of 39 Springfield St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with trafficking heroin, possession of heroin, and having controlled substances in, on or near a school or playground.

THEFTS

Thursday, Aug. 7 - At 2:36 p.m., the Andover Wyndham Hotel reported multiple soda machines broken into.

Saturday, Aug. 8 - At 12:25 p.m., a Memorial Circle woman

said her son stole her ATM card.

Monday, Aug. 11 - At 8:35 a.m., some equipment was reported stolen from a house under construction on Stirling Street.

At 3:22 p.m., a young man came into the station to report his bike stolen from the library area. It was a black Jerry Fisher BMX model.

At 6:14 p.m., a Howe and Doherty Real Estate employee reported that someone came in and said that three kids on bikes stole all of the valve stem caps from the tires in the lot. An officer found that the kids took the complaining employee's valve caps only.

Tuesday, Aug. 12 - At 6:40 p.m., a resident reported a stolen wallet.

BREAKS

Thursday, Aug. 7 - At 4:04 p.m., Kim Stamas reported that someone broke into the club house at Recreation Park and vandalized it.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, Aug. 6 - At 1:48 p.m., a Whispering Pines Drive resident complained that a man continually throws empty beer bottles on her lawn. She said the man has been doing this in the same spot for years.

At 9:18 p.m., there was a report of a dog lying in the middle of the road. The dog was fine, just sleeping and the officer put him back in his yard.

Thursday, Aug. 7 - At 1:10 p.m., a Lowell Street resident reported that a postal truck struck his car and left the scene without reporting.

At 10:02, two 18-year-old Andover men were summoned for possession of marijuana.

Friday, Aug. 8 - At 7:44 a.m., there was a fuel spill reported on River Road.

At 7:51 a.m., a large tree was reported knocked down on Andover Street.

Sunday, Aug. 10 - At 2:44 p.m., a Lowell Street resident reported that her 18-year-old daughter had been out with her boyfriend since Friday and she wanted to report her missing.

Monday, Aug. 11 - At 7:28 p.m., Lowell Street was reported flooded out. From 7:30 to 8 p.m., three more reports of road flooding were made. The Police station lobby also flooded.

Tuesday, Aug. 12 - Tuesday, Aug. 12 - At 9:04 a.m., an assault was reported on Jenkins Road.

From 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m., there were multiple reports of flooding and rain problems. Street sweepers and crews had to be dispatched to clean landslides from Reservation Road and Cassimere Street.

-COMPILED BY BEN HELLMAN

39 conditions set by Planning Board

Mixed-use project approved downtown

By Charlie Russo

Downtown residents could see a change in the neighborhood soon, after the Planning Board approved a special permit for a mixed use residential/commercial building at 69 Park St., named Park Street Crossing, Tuesday night.

The board did not approve a specific plan for the building, but set 39 conditions on its unanimous approval of the permit. Although the board did not specify the number of condominium and commercial units, it laid out spatial requirements, effectively creating a box in which the building can be constructed.

The board cut the plan from 20,480 square feet to 18,480 square feet - the rough equivalent of one condominium unit,

said Planning Board Chairman Paul Salafia. Earlier proposals called for nine condominium units and four commercial spaces. The board also set the building footprint at no more than 6,640 square feet and a front setback of no less than 14 feet and three inches from the property line.

Other conditions covered issues such as the landscaping, lighting, design, and condominium association requirements.

A condition added last night at the suggestion of Planning Director Stephen Colyer set a two-year deadline for developer Highview, LLC of Andover to act on the permit.

No neighbors spoke concerning Park Street Crossing.

Pine Forest Park

In other business, about 20 North Reading residents voiced their concerns to the Planning Board over the proposed Pine Forest Park subdivision. Pine Forest Park would have 11 single-acre house lots within Andover town limits, with access off Flash Road in North Reading.

The Planning Board limited discussion to drainage, earth movement permits and some public safety and Public Works concerns. Residents raised concerns about school bus access and the travel of construction trucks. Developer Richard E. Cuoco said about 400 truckloads of earth and debris will be hauled away from the site over 30 days, to groans from neighbors.



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

The town removed the brick walkway leading to the rear door of Memorial Hall Library because someone continually removed bricks and threw them into the parking lot. The area was replaced with concrete.

Vandals force expense

Library's brick walkway replaced at cost of \$6,550

By Andrea Gregory

A problem with vandalism at the rear of Memorial Hall Library resulted in the town paying \$6,550 to create a smooth, concrete surface near its rear entrance.

The brick platform leading to the back door, next to the parking lot, had repeatedly been the target of vandalism, said Jim Sutton, library director.

Library staff, returning to work after weekends, often found numerous bricks dug out from the platform and thrown around the parking lot, he said.

In effort to stop the destruction, last week the library closed off the back steps, removed the brick walking surface and replaced it with cement.

"I think it looks just excellent," said Sutton adding many people probably won't notice the change. "It's going to be a relief not to have to deal with the bricks being taken out and thrown around."

Sutton said police reports were filed after several incidents, but no one knows who was responsible for the damage.

Joe Piantadosi, plant and facilities director, confirms the destruction of the back entrance to the library was vandalism. It is a problem that started three years ago, he said. Piantadosi said the situation seemed to be getting progressively worse, and, on at least four occasions when his employees went out to do the repairs,

they reported 20 to 35 bricks dug out of the platform and thrown into the parking lot.

"It seemed to start right when the weather got nice," he said.

The town believes the concrete should put a solid stop to a growing safety hazard. According to Piantadosi, the bricks used on the platform were paver bricks, used for laying out sidewalks and roads.

"They're not in concrete. They're in sand," he said.

The bricks are tightly packed, but someone committed to removing the bricks could do so, said Piantadosi. He said the bricks could not have come loose from normal wear and tear. "It was definitely vandalism," he said.

WATER CLOSSES CVS



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Townspeople

TOWN TALK

Insider decorating monopolizes lunch with Martha Stewart

Serving cheese onion tarts and soft-shell lobster with fresh greens from the garden sounds like something diva of domesticity Martha Stewart would do for a summer lunch, doesn't it? Well, it was.

Putting aside all her insider-trading troubles, Stewart recently opened her lavish Tudor-style home on Mt. Desert Island in Maine to about 75 members of the American Society of Interior Decorators. Local designer Susan Siefer was among them.



Designer
Susan Siefer

The Andover designer, who specializes in faux painting and lives on Railroad Street, said Stewart is a terrific hostess.

"No matter what you think of Martha Stewart, she is very gracious. She made us feel like there was nothing else she would be rather doing," Siefer said.

Insider decorating — not trading — monopolized the conversation, as guests toured the eight-bedroom main house, the playhouse with a squash court, a library stocked exclusively with books about Maine, some 40 acres of gardens and too many gorgeous terraces to count.

"And she told us all the sheets are from K-Mart," Siefer reported.

Stewart was plugging her new line of furniture and also helping a local library. Designers paid \$70 each for the Aug. 1st event and filled two buses bound for Maine. Proceeds benefited the Seal Harbor library, which received a \$5,000 check at the luncheon.

— Judy Wakefield

Giving peace a fighting chance

Peace sells. That's the word from the Andover protesters who call for peace in front of Old Town Hall. The Iraq-war protesters continue to wave colorful flags while holding homemade signs and burning candles.

The flags are now for sale for \$10, says Rebecca Backman, an Andover resident and one of the original protesters. The protesting began the second day of war and the group continues to meet a few days every week. Participants have formed an alliance with the Merrimack Valley People for Peace, which supplies the flag stock.

"We've sold a lot of them in Andover," claims Backman. "I would say over 100."

She says the flags come from Italy and she believes many now view them as an international symbol of peace.

— Andrea Gregory

Global connections, in living color

Uniting countries is a role usually reserved for United Nations diplomats. But 13-year-old Heather Jimenez of Andover will step into that same role representing Massachusetts in the International ChildArt Festival in Washington D.C., Sept. 6 through 13.

At the festival, Heather will also play host to two young artists from different countries. Heather has always been into art, and thought entering the contest would be fun, says her mother.

"We were pleasantly surprised (about the selection)," says Tracy Jimenez, Heather's mother. "We submitted the work a couple of years ago, but they had some delays because of September 11."

The theme for Heather's work was "Me in the New Millennium." Heather drew the figure of International ChildArt Foundation atop the globe, with children of all nations circling it. Heather used colored pencils and pastels on a posterboard.

"She's always been very creative," says Jimenez. "Friends and teachers always told her she was very talented."

Heather, who will be a seventh-grader at Doherty Middle School this fall, apparently has inherited the family genes. Her mother is an artist and works as a graphic designer. "She knows that she has this talent," says Tracy Jimenez. "Unfortunately, she thinks you have to be dead to be a good artist."

Jimenez hopes her daughter continues with her artwork, though she admits Heather is still quite young to be thinking about a career. "I think it's important that she pursues her talents," she says.

— Kyle McCauley

Striking more than once

The powerful rain and lightning storms in the past weeks have made their presence felt in Andover.

This Tuesday saw flooding that sent at least one person on Tewksbury Street into a row boat, and others around town bailing out their basements.

Last week, a lightning strike knocked out power for 35 customers on Golden Oaks Road and High Plain Road for 17 hours, said Massachusetts Electric. The lightning was powerful enough to damage the underground cables, which were still being replaced this week, said spokeswoman Amy Atwood. "It's not that common, but it does happen," she said.

— Ben Hellman

Grand finale for Poms Pond

Water trouble was non-existent at Poms Pond this summer. Bacteria problems typically shut down the pond for a few days every August but that didn't happen this summer.

"This year it was just the weather" troubling the pond, said Department of Community Services director Mary Donohue. "And, there's nothing you can do about rainy New England weather."

Most of the Poms lifeguards are college-bound and are leaving town by the end of the month. As a result, the pond will be closing Sunday, Aug. 17. Hours are noon to 6.

— Judy Wakefield

Eternal flame of gratitude

To focus on firefighters' sacrifices, resident treks to NYC

By Ben Hellman

LYNDA MCNEIL has spent the last 13½ years trying to repay Andover firefighters for saving her life and the life of her then-3-month-old daughter from a house fire.

She has traveled across the state and to New York to attend firefighter memorials and vigils. She has served coffee to mourning firefighters and written letters in support of firefighters. She hasn't missed an Andover Firefighters' Ball in 13 years.

But this summer, the 53-year-old mother outdid herself by walking to New York City from Andover — 300 miles — all to bring attention to the sacrifice that firefighters make every day. Her trek took more than a month.

The 1989 fire occurred at 7:30 a.m. on a Tuesday at McNeil's two-story home at 2 Temple Place. Her husband and older children had left for the day — McNeil was alone with the baby. She woke up in time to smell smoke and got to the window in time to let people know she was inside. Andover firefighters were already on their way. Firemen Ricky Dalton and Cliff Pattullo took 3-month old Sarah Pearson from McNeil's arms and helped McNeil out in a difficult ladder rescue.

But to say that McNeil was grateful is to understate the facts. To understand McNeil's commitment in her walk, it should be noted that she isn't an athlete — "I'm probably 50 pounds overweight," she said. Before she started training in January for her walk she wasn't even much of a walker. She has suffered with arthritis for 20 years, and is on prescription drugs to ease the pain from it. She is uncomfortable in the summer heat. She also wears orthotics, special inserts in her shoes. Before she started training, she couldn't walk up the stairs.

But, for firefighters, she walked every day for almost a month and a half. That was after six months of training. One day on the trip, she walked as many as 25 miles. She got blisters from the pavement and once sunk up to her ankles in mud. She was chased by dogs and baked by the summer sun, but she kept walking.

To McNeil, any sacrifice she made pales in comparison to what firefighters have done for her. "When people save your life, you owe them your life. When people save your child, you owe them your soul gladly,"



Lynda McNeil, along with her "fire baby," Sarah Pearson, 13, was rescued by Andover firefighters 13 years ago during a fire at their home at 2 Temple Place. Since then, McNeil has advocated for firefighters. Below, some of the patches she has been given in appreciation for her efforts on behalf of firefighters.

she said.

McNeil made her journey alone. She carried a cell phone and two fanny packs with her. She walked a path mapped out for cyclists, which she had to alter in places because someone on bike can travel farther than someone on foot. She didn't plan her trip more than a day in advance, so she never knew when she would pass a spot to stop and rest or get something to eat. She carried Power Bars just in case.

McNeil's husband, Brad Pearson, stayed home with their daughter, Sarah, who is now 13 — "13 and a half," said McNeil, appreciating even the extra months.

McNeil also brought her car with her. Every day, she walked as far as she could, found a bus

station, and rode the bus back to get her car. Then she'd drive to where she stopped and stay in a hotel. Twice she had to travel back to Andover for family emergencies and returned to where she left off walking.

During the trip, McNeil started walking out of her way to visit fire stations. She said she visited 25 to 30 stations and even spent the night in a station in Westport, Conn.

"I never really found any I couldn't relate to. Meeting firefighters is just the best thing — just the best thing to do," she said. She was given station patches and other mementos wherever she went.

When McNeil met a firefighter she would shake his or her hand and introduce herself. She would then say something like

this: "I'm the mother of a 3-month-old baby saved by your brothers in Andover."

McNeil said she has never failed to get a smile.

McNeil's mission was revealed to her in a flash at the Firefighter's Memorial in New York last October. Surrounded by firefighters at the Madison Square Garden at an event largely attended by only firefighters, McNeil was stunned. "I couldn't speak. I was literally frozen there," she said. When thanked by the firefighters for coming out, McNeil responded, "It isn't like I walked." The idea stuck with her, and her future was set.

The fire in 1989 is still very real to McNeil. She never forgets that her daughter Sarah is only alive today because of firefighters. While she spoke this week about her walk, Sarah was by her side and McNeil clutched her and got tearful at times. McNeil refers to Sarah as the "fire baby" or as her "spitfire."

McNeil has ingrained her gratitude and love of firefighters into Sarah. She understands her mother's experience, and she hugged her mother, putting her head on her mother's shoulder. She goes to the Andover firefighter balls, too, and has always gotten a carved pumpkin out of the deal. "(Firefighters) are part of our family," said Sarah.

McNeil's friend Maria Frecero threw a welcome-home party for her last Saturday. She invited Andover firefighters to the party and Chief Chuck Murnane brought down some of the men and a fire truck.

McNeil didn't raise any money by walking. In fact, the journey cost her money, which she paid out of her savings. She paid for food, gas, lodging and parking. What she hopes her walk does alert people to what firefighters do. She has turned down donations from the Andover firefighter's union, but would accept corporate donations. Those interested in contacting her can send her an e-mail at sarahfiremom@aol.com.

McNeil is not done doing what she can for firefighters. When a fire claims a firefighter's life or forces firefighters to do particularly gruesome work, her heart will be with them, she said. When Andover firefighters have trouble getting a contract signed with the town — an issue last year that made McNeil ashamed to live in Andover, she said — she will be there to write letters and show her support. "I think it's work I will devote the rest of my life to," she said.

Halloween in August

Photos by
Tim Jean

The Andover Department of Community Services held its popular Halloween in the Park event last Thursday, Aug. 7. Children were invited to come dressed in their favorite costume and enjoy a morning of Halloween crafts, face painting, festive games and awards for those in costume.

◀ Alexander Mazelsky, 18 months, sports a Hawaiian look, during Halloween in the Park.

Michaela Farias 5, takes a aim at the bean bag throw game.

Jake Dalimonte, 3, takes a swing during the mini-golf game at Halloween in the Park. ▼



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SOCIAL NOTEBOOK



Andover resident Frank Fleury, pictured with sons Paul and Adrien, joined close to 100 other participants recently at Fenway Park to kick off the 2003 Boston Heart Walk. The event marked the official start to the annual fundraiser, which is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 20 on the Charles River Esplanade. The walk will involve an estimated 5,000 walkers from hundreds of local companies. The goal this year is to raise \$1 million to help fund lifesaving research, public and professional education, and community service programs to fight heart disease and stroke. To learn more about supporting the Boston Heart Walk, log on to www.heartwalk.kintera.org/bostonma; or call 508-620-1700.

Andover residents join battle to fight heart disease, cancer



Above, Anne Goodwin, 6, of Andover, a patient at the Jimmy Fund Clinic, gets some encouragement from her mother, Ellen, while behind the wheel of the Kingsford No. 59 race car simulator at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. Stop and Shop Supermarket Company, Acosta Sales and Marketing, Clorox, and the Kingsford Race Team brought the No. 59 car to Boston's Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and welcomed Jimmy Fund Clinic patients to try it out. Stop and Shop, which has been a supporter of the Jimmy Fund for more than 13 years, has just completed its annual Triple Winner Program, raising \$4 million for cancer research and the Stop and Shop Family Pediatric Brain Tumor Clinic at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

Spade and Trowel officers plan growth in new season

The slate of officers for the 2003-04 season of the Spade and Trowel Garden Club was announced at its recent annual meeting, held at Hillview Country Club in North Reading.

Officers are Jo Brennan and Nancy Cornell, co-presidents; Peg Behling, vice-president; Maureen Curtin, treasurer; and Sue Skinner, secretary.

Leidy Gil was the recipient of the Spade and Trowel Garden Club Scholarship. A 2003 graduate of Greater Lawrence Technical School and president of her senior class, as well as a State gold medal-winner for community service, Gil plans to pursue her education in nursing at Salem State College.

The garden club recently hosted its successful Art in Bloom program at Memorial Hall Library with many interpretive arrangements entered by club members Susan DeLarm-Sandman, Sue Skinner, Melanie Muggia, Mary Arakelian, Peg Behling, Dot Gulezian, Nancy Cornell, Jo Brennan, Josephine Germano, Sandy DiVincenzo and Belva Hopkins.

There was also an entry by Katherine Baun of the Village Garden Club of Andover.

Spade and Trowel Garden Club has a number of programs and activities planned for the 2003-04 season. For more information, contact co-president Nancy Cornell at 978-474-4323.

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HELPING FAMILIES



Quota International of Andover made a \$2,500 donation to the YWCA's Oasis Project, a transitional housing program for formerly battered, homeless women and their children that helps families regain safety and stability. The club provides reading materials, holiday gifts and volunteer service to the project. From left are Quota member Kiki Schneider and president Nancy Dube, both of Andover; Rebecca Hall, executive director of the YWCA of Greater Lawrence; and Quota member Sue Adams, also of Andover.

FOR SENIORS

By Pat Becker
Andover Senior Center

Here are some of the activities coming up at the Andover Senior Center.

Lahey Clinic Nutrition Project: The senior center will offer one final session of the Lahey Clinic nutrition research project in September. Classes will be held from 2 to 4:30 p.m. on Sept. 9, 11, 16, 18, 23 and 25. Participants must be able to make a firm commitment to attend all six sessions, and class size will be limited. For more information, contact Kristine Arakelian at the senior center.

Tax Abatement Meeting: An informational session for seniors who missed the June meeting but are interested in participating in the next session of the tax abatement program will be held Friday, Aug. 15 at 1:30 at the senior center. For further information, contact Kathy Urquhart at the center.

Senior Center Task Force Meeting: The next Senior Center task force meeting will be held at the senior center next Thursday, Aug. 21 at 7 p.m.

Elderhostel: The senior center will sponsor a trip to the Bay of Fundy in connection with the Elderhostel Organization from Oct. 5 to 10. Walk the ocean floor, explore the Fundy Trail, the St. Martin's Sea Caves and miles of secluded beaches. Accommodations are in a historic inn just 150 feet from the beach. Registrations are now being accepted. For further information, contact Pat Becker at the senior center.

Movie Matinee: On Monday, Aug. 25, we will show the recent release *Evelyn*. Pierce Brosnan delivers a powerful performance in this critically acclaimed drama. Compelling and inspiring, this true story will open your heart to the struggles of a father who faced impossible odds to keep his family together.

Boston Duck Tour: Come tour Boston by land and water. The trip is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 14. Cost of the trip is \$35. Call Bernadette at the center.

Intergenerational Opportunity: The senior center will

be working with fourth-grade teachers at the Bancroft School this fall. We will be introducing a healthy aging course into their curriculum, and will utilize seniors as facilitators with small groups of students if you would be interested in making a one-hour commitment once a week for seven weeks during October and November to assist with this program, contact Pat Becker at the senior center.

Lobster Bake: Get a ticket and join us for our end-of-summer, New England-style lobster and clam bake, which will be held Saturday, Aug. 23 at 6 p.m. Great after-dinner entertainment will follow with the Gentlemen Songsters Barber-shop Chorus. Tickets are \$15 and are on sale at the center.

Lowell Spinners: The senior center and the Andover Firefighters Association will sponsor a trip to the Lowell Spinners baseball game Thursday evening, Aug. 21. The bus will leave the center at 5:30 for this always fun and popular annual event. Our choral group, the Sunrise Singers, will be

honored by singing the National Anthem at the game. Those who missed entering the lottery may inquire about space availability by contacting Bernadette at the senior center.

Fall Registration: Registration for fall classes will take place at the center during the week of Aug. 25. If you are interested in signing up for senior modified yoga, line dance, men's workout, cardio conditioning, line dance, tai chi, strength training for women, or low-impact aerobics, do so during the above time frame. The new semester will begin the week of Sept. 8.

Choral Group: The Sunrise Singers, under the direction of Linda Kirk, are welcoming new voices to join them. They rehearse every Monday morning at the senior center at 9. Just come and introduce yourself to her. If you enjoy music, you'll have a great time in this group.

Massage Therapy: The senior center is fortunate to have the services of a licensed massage therapist on Monday mornings. Cost of a 20-minute, seated, upper-body massage is \$12. To make an appointment for a treatment, call the center.

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Education

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Ingrid A. Lapsa, a 1999 graduate of Andover High School, received a bachelor of arts degree from the College of the Holy Cross on May 23. She graduated summa cum laude with a major in psychology and a minor in philosophy.

Among her favorite activities were hiking, camping, and rock climbing with the Holy Cross Outing Club, for which she served as president and treasurer. She was also treasurer of the Ballroom Dancing Club, a head coordinator for the liturgical ministry, and a teaching assistant in the psychology department.

During her junior year, she spent a semester with the Sea Education Association to conduct oceanographic research while sailing a tall ship in the Caribbean.

Among the honors she earned are election to the Phi Beta Kappa Society, for excellence in the liberal arts and sciences; membership in the Psi Chi National Honor Society in Psychology; and membership in the Alpha Sigma Nu society, for scholarship, loyalty, and service.

She also received the Dr. Marianthi Georgiadi Memorial Award presented to the outstanding psychology graduate, and was on the dean's list throughout her studies at Holy Cross.

Lapsa was supported in her studies by the Dana Scholarship from Holy Cross, and the Avon Science Scholarship.

University of Massachusetts Lowell spring semester 2003 dean's list includes the following students from Andover: **Joseph Bertolini**, 77 Cross St.; **Dasha Bolotina**, 3 Downing St.; **Edmond Boulanger**, 101 North St.; **Stanley Cannon**, 54 Abbot St.; **Christopher Capano**, 2 Millstone Circle; **Heidi Carroll**, 19 Elm Court; **Carmen DeMarco**, 65 Stevens St.; **Ralph Duffer**, 10 Quail Run; **Michael Gaulin**, 32 Lucerne Drive; **Holly Hemenway**, 68 Memorial Circle; **Matthew Libby**, 11 Farrwood Drive; **Matthew Murphy**, 256 River Road; **Nolan Pelletier**, 24 Woodhaven Drive; **Shardul Ramolia**, 11 Pole Hill Drive; **Lisa Tomaszczuk**, 50 River Road; **Philip Trombly**, 12 Brady Loop; **Lisa Tylus**, 172 Elm St.; **Michael Wallace**, 108 Lovejoy Road; and **Joshua Wilkie**, 5 Elm Court.

A grade-point average of at least 3.0 with no grade lower than a B must be attained for inclusion on the dean's list.

Troy Lundstrom, an Andover native and a member of the class of 2003 at Woburn High School, placed fifth in both the Massachusetts Division II State wrestling championships and Division II spring track championships held in Reading.

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Glenn Morrell of general contractor TLT Construction works on an expansion joint between the old and new sections of the Tech School.

GLTS renaissance?

Construction and MCAS remediation lead to enrollment spike, but still few Andover students

By Ben Hellman

THE GREATER LAWRENCE Technical School will be open for business – and teeming with new students this September. The \$51 million renovation-and-expansion project, coupled with a first-rate rebound on MCAS scores this year, has caused enrollments to skyrocket at the school on River Road.

The school building project is adding 91,000 square feet to its already 263,000 square foot campus and reconfiguring its departments. The school's new beauty salon, retail store and dining services already have brought in more area customers, said Superintendent Frank Vacirca. The purpose of the project is to make the school more accessible to the public while improving security and education of students.



New lockers await students at the Tech School on River Road.

The school's new front wing sports the school's cosmetology, retail and culinary programs, which Vacirca said were open and busy last spring. "Women come in and get their hair done, have lunch and go to the gift shop," said

Vacirca. The Andover Exchange Club stopped in for lunch on Tuesday this week.

Open to students in September will be brand new classroom space, two new gymnasiums, a renovated pool, new courtyards, three handball courts and a new media center. Teachers and

administrators will enjoy new and improved office space. It should all be available next week when the occupancy permit is signed, said Vacirca.

But a renaissance in scores at the school is also in the state may also be a result of the number of students taking the MCAS test. Vacirca said the school has seen a spike in scores since 1978. This year, the school is taking the test for the first time. 213 students are expected to place in the top 10 percent.

Vacirca said the school's data shows a significant improvement in scores over the last few years.

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It was the biggest jump for any

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SCHOOL NOTES

High Plain playground built

Two more weeks before balls bounce on rubberized courts

By Ben Hellman

High Plain Elementary School parents didn't let weekend heat or humidity stop them from building their kids three super playgrounds, said mom Ellen Clancy. Parents spent 15 hours outside the school on Saturday and put in another 12 on Sunday.

"It is an awesome sight," said Clancy, a member of the High Plain Playground Committee. She said people used to seeing a schoolyard with was nothing but fields, will notice a remarkable difference.

Families are already driving through the school to check out the new playgrounds, but kids

are going to have to wait a bit longer to play on them, said Clancy. The playgrounds should not be used for another two weeks.

Cement was poured on Monday and the ground of three playground sites will be rubberized with Sportcourt, a material similar to that used for racquet-



The slide area of the playground during its assembly.

ball-court floors. Sportcourt requires two weeks to "cure," said Principal Brenda O'Brien.

Clancy said the show of support from parents was great. She said about 50 people showed up on Saturday and another 20 on Sunday.

Moms and dads helped out, but Clancy said it was an unusual opportunity for fathers to be involved and meet others in the High Plain community. "It was such a nice group of fathers. Fathers never get to meet each other. They worked great," said Clancy.

The parents received an outpouring of support from local businesses who donated food and gift certificates for refreshments. Builder John Chongis donated all of the cement.

Daniel and Denise Lixing brought several pieces of excavation equipment from their family business.

the cost for two students. Eligible elementary-school students will continue to ride for free.

Last year, 2,181 students in grades 7 to 12 were eligible to ride the bus. The schools do not know how many of these students actually used the bus, however.

Parents who did not make last Friday's deadline to pay for busing risk not being able to have their kids ride the bus. If there is still room on buses for such students, their families will be charged a \$50 late fee on top of the regular fee.

Few volunteer for transfers

Crowded classrooms prompted High Plain Elementary School principal Brenda O'Brien to send out letters to parents asking them to voluntarily transfer their third-graders to West and Sanborn elementary schools. She was hoping that 14 kids would take advantage of the offer, which also allowed siblings of third-graders to transfer with them. The deadline for the transfer was last Friday, and just one third-grader opted to transfer to another school.

As of this week, High Plain was expected to have one third-grade class with 29 students and three more classes with 28 students.

O'Brien picked up two additional fourth-graders from the Sanborn School where the average classroom size is 26.33 students. Sanborn Principal Steven Jankauskas made a similar offer to parents of fourth-graders to slim class sizes in that grade.

WHAT'S UP

Molly Moon's Incredible Book of Hypnotism

BY GEORGIA BYNG

Reviewed by John Chartier and James Caron

This summer, 14-year-old Andover residents John and James will review books they believe are appropriate for readers who are 9 years old to young adult.

IMAGINE BEING ABLE TO HYPNOTIZE an English teacher into forgetting that big end-

of-year exam. What about hypnotizing one's parents into finally raising the allowance? Well, Molly Moon is able to do these things, thanks to the *Incredible Book of Hypnotism* that she discovered at the library. Of course, the book also turned her world upside down and inside out!

Molly Moon has been missing something as long as she can remember – a family. Ever since she was a newborn, she has been a resident at Hardwick House, a horrid orphanage in England run by the vile Mrs. Adderstone and Adderstone's pug dog, Petula. Molly always believed she didn't

fit in anywhere except with her best friend Rocky and the younger children who also live at Hardwick House. That all changes when she stumbles upon a mysterious book at the library, and is plunged into a world where fantasy becomes reality, fiction becomes fact, and the bright lights of New York City's Broadway come to life before her eyes. Molly soon finds herself winning contests and being proclaimed the most talented child to ever walk the earth, even though she can't sing, dance, and is terribly afraid

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Bus fee deadline passes: 897 fees were collected as of Monday

Transportation coordinator Jonelle Derby said things were busy, but orderly last Friday morning – the deadline for families to pay for student busing. "It wasn't that bad," said Derby. She said that parents came in steadily, but there were no lines.

Derby had collected 897 fees as of Monday.

The price of busing this year for students in grades 7 to 12 is \$285 per student. Parents won't be charged for more than \$470.

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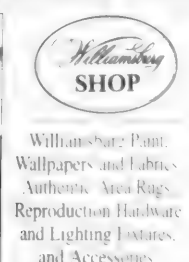
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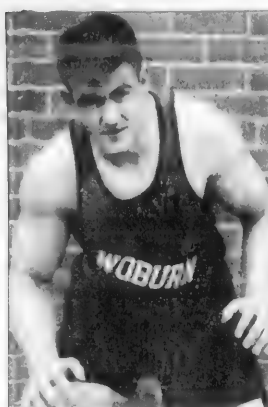


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ON CAMPUS



Troy
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■ TROY LUNDSTROM

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Lundstrom attended Andover schools most of his life until transferring to Woburn in his senior year to become eligible to participate in the sport of wrestling, which is not offered in Andover.

Lundstrom has been accepted into the engineering programs at UMass Lowell, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and the US Coast Guard Academy. He has received praise from the academy for having "demonstrated the leadership skills to advocate for himself in spite of strong opposition."

Woburn has many longstand-

ing traditions, including the annual essay contest sponsored by the Rotary Club. All Woburn seniors are required to choose a topic and compose a dissertation. Lundstrom won the top honors and became the honorary mayor of Woburn for two days this spring.

"While going through the college application and interview process I found that all schools want to see other activities than grades and GPA's. I realized that all students absolutely need to pursue their interests with passion and I know doing this helped me gain entrance to every school I applied to," said Lundstrom. "and I plan to continue on with my athletics and have the fun and camaraderie I almost missed in high school."

Stephen R. Strong, of Andover, made the dean's list for the spring 2003 semester at Franklin Pierce College.

Zachary R. Traynor, also of Andover, graduated from Franklin Pierce College with a bachelor of arts degree in mass communication.

Andover students received degrees at UMass Boston's 35th commencement exercises on May 31. Graduate degree recipients from Andover are Adrienne J. MacNeill, MEd; Amy L. Baker, MEd; Emily R. Kay, French, MS; Kevin Wreghitt, MEd; and Roy Hadley Dobbeleer, MA.

Local resident Austin Carroll graduated from Houghton College in Houghton, N.Y., majoring in computer science.

Plymouth State College in Plymouth, N.H. honored graduates at its 132nd commencement Saturday, May 17.

Among those receiving their degrees were Christopher Limauro of Andover, who was awarded a bachelor of arts degree.

The outstanding academic achievements of undergraduates at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn. have been honored with publication of the spring 2003 dean's list, for the College of Arts and Science.

Named to the list was Laura Julia Goldstein, the daughter of Gary and Janice Goldstein of Andover.

Alan K. Clarke of Andover, a 2002 graduate of Andover High School, completed his freshman year at Morehouse College in Atlanta with a 4.0 grade-point average.

Clarke earned six grades of A+ and four A's during the

year and has been recognized and honored by Morehouse College as one of three top ranking Freshman Honors Program participants.

Before Andover High, Clarke attended the Advent School in Boston and Pike School.

Nicholas G. MacInnis, of Andover, was among the graduates to receive a bachelor's degree May 26 from Bates College in Lewiston, Maine during the college's 137th commencement exercises.

MacInnis graduated with a bachelor's degree in both English and rhetoric. A dean's list student, he was a four-year member of the men's soccer team.

MacInnis, a graduate of Phillips Academy, is the son of Paul and Susan MacInnis, of 18 Morton St.

Framingham State College held its commencement on Sunday, May 25. Students receiving the degree of master of education included Pauline N. Branzetti of Andover.

Fairfield University announced the names of the students from Andover who qualified for the dean's list.

Brian J. Gosselin, of 9 Howell Drive, was named to the dean's list. The son of Denis and Frances Gosselin, he is majoring in business at Fairfield. Gosselin is a class of 2000 graduate of Andover High School.

Allison Marshall, also a resident of Andover, was named to the dean's list. The daughter of William Marshall, she majored in English at Fairfield and was also active as secretary of the glee club and a columnist for the student newspaper. A graduate of Reading Memorial High School in Reading, Marshall plans a career in teaching.

To be selected a student must attain a grade point average of at least 3.5 of a possible 4.0.

Worcester Polytechnic Institute's (WPI) 135th graduation ceremony was held Saturday, May 17.

Andover graduates included Nicholas John Ardagna Jr. and Ethan Kane Murphy.

Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Pa. conferred bachelor's degrees during commencement ceremonies May 18.

Degrees were awarded for studies in liberal arts and professional programs in engineering, management and education.

Andover graduates receiving

The Merrimack Valley Chapter of UNICO held its annual scholarship awards night June 11 at Spinelli's function facility in Lynnfield.

UNICO is a nationwide service organization comprised of individuals of Italian descent. The local chapter raises funds in order to provide scholarships for college-bound seniors and contributes financial support for various charities and community activities.

Scholarship recipients, who were each awarded \$1,500, included Lisa Ianelli and Kristen Donahue, both graduates of Andover High School.



Lisa
Ianelli



Kristen
Donahue

Bucknell degrees included Matthew T. Spitzer, son of Thomas and Joan Spitzer, BA, magna cum laude; Katherine M. Weaver, daughter of John and Nedra Weaver, BA, cum laude; and Kevin A. Zuena, son of Anthony and Paulette Zuena, BS, cum laude.

Bentley College in Waltham announced the names of residents named to the dean's list for outstanding academic achievement and the president's list for extraordinary academic achievement in the spring semester.

To be named to the president's list, a full-time student must have a grade point average of 3.7 or higher with no course grade below 3.0 during the term.

The following residents from Andover were named to the president's list: Caitlin Murray, senior, accounting major; Kristin O'Neill, senior, information design and corporate communications major; Thomas Page, senior, accounting major; Patrick Roy,

junior, managerial economics, quantitative analysis major; and Nicholas Vaccaro, sophomore, accounting major.

To be named to the dean's list, a full-time student must have a grade point average of 3.3 or higher with no course grade below 2.0 during the term.

The following residents from Andover were named to the dean's list: Philip Bancroft, senior, finance major; Courtney Famiglietti, senior, marketing major; Kate Gurry, senior, finance major; Deborah O'Connell, senior, marketing major; and Jeffrey Vallera, junior, finance major.

New Hampshire Community Technical College in Laconia, N.H. announced that Richard Krafon of Andover, majoring in fire investigation, was named to the president's list for the spring session ending in May.

The president's list, designating a 3.75 grade-point average (GPA) or above, is the highest honor a student can achieve at the school.

WHAT'S UP

■ BOOK REVIEW

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of speaking in public. All of this fame is short-lived, however, because the true owner of the hypnotism book is desperately looking for it, and will do anything to get his despicable hands on it.

We give this book a well-deserved 9 rating, out of 10. Author Georgia Byng has created unforgettable characters and a conflict worth following. Her writing style masterfully uses colorful words and descriptions.

We believe the characters in this book are described with rich details, and have life-like mannerisms and qualities that can be found in every reader who picks up this book. It is an enormous feat to create characters with whom the audience relates, and

Byng has met that challenge with flying colors.

This is an entertaining read for all ages. Most will find it a fantastic story of a girl who had a tough life, who ends up "A-OK." Somewhat similar to the play and movie *Annie*, *Molly Moon* is sure to leave readers feeling good about life in general and thankful for how good so many of us have it.

The sequel to *Molly Moon's Incredible Book of Hypnotism* will be released sometime in late 2003 or early 2004. Until then, all readers can do is wait... unless, of course, they find their own incredible book of hypnotism, and can convince Georgia Byng to give them an advance copy!

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■ TECH SCHOOL

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public school in Massachusetts, he said.

Construction continues

But for the technical school, there is more work to be done, both within the classroom and to the classrooms.

The science and technology wing is the last step in the construction project and will be worked on throughout the school year. When finished, it will give

the school biotechnology and telecommunications departments, and new chemistry and physics labs. The entire project should be finished in August 2004. Construction is on-schedule and on-budget currently, said Vacirca.

But the school is still not well-attended by Andover students. Vacirca could not give a number of Andover students enrolled at the technical school this year, but there is usually less than a handful. "There's never enough," said Vacirca.

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Business

BRIEFS

Schiebel named president

The board of directors of Resinate Corp., a provider of automated materials selection software for the discrete manufacturing sector, has appointed Brian J. Schiebel, Andover resident, as president.

Schiebel had served as vice president of global sales and marketing since January. Previously, he was executive vice president of sales and marketing at Genesis Consolidated Services in Lexington, a provider of human-resource information software and services.

"I am very pleased to announce the promotion of Brian J. Schiebel," said Christopher Poirier, chief executive officer and founder. "With Brian in place as president and running operations, I will be able to focus my efforts on molding the strategic direction of the company as we continue to build relationships with our strategic partners, and analysts. Providing industry awareness as to the need of automating material selection in the design process is critical."

Class session at Wild Oats

On Monday, Aug. 25, Wild Oats Markets Inc. will partner with CLASS Inc. for a "5% Day." On this day, Wild Oats Market at 40 Railroad St. in Andover will donate 5 percent of their total pre-tax sales to CLASS Inc. of Lawrence.

CLASS Inc. (Citizen's League for Adult Special Services) is a non-profit organization dedicated to enriching the lives of individuals with disabilities. To learn more about CLASS, residents can go to www.classinc.org.

Chamber networking event

The Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce will present "Cruising Around the Network," a marketing mixer, on Tuesday, Aug. 19 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Clark Chrysler-Jeep, 175 Pelham St., Methuen.

The cost for members is \$10 per person or \$15 for two people, and \$20 for non-members.

Tage Inn offers assistance to 9/11 Fund and Family Service

New England families who lost a loved one in the brutal events of September 11, 2001 will receive help thanks to a \$13,000 donation by the Tage Inn Co. to the Massachusetts 9/11 Fund.

The Tage Inn, established in 1989, has hotels in Andover (on River Road), Milford, and Somerville.



Joseph Tagliente presents gift to Kay Frishman of Family Service.

Tage Inn President and CEO Joseph Tagliente said, "We know that the needs of many families are getting more urgent as time goes along and we wanted to do what we could to help rebuild their lives. We are impressed that 100 percent of the money provided to the Mass 9/11 Fund goes directly to families."

Massachusetts 9/11 Fund President

Eric MacLeish said, "There are 172 area families who have lost mothers and fathers, brothers and sisters, husbands and wives, and sons and daughters. Many of those families have desperate needs that have not been met by other charities or government programs. For some, the choice could come down to paying the rent or providing therapy for their kids."

The creation of the Massachusetts 9/11 Fund was announced in January 2002.

Family Service Inc. also received a donation from the Tage Inn recently. "We are grateful to the Tage Inn and the Tagliente family for their generous donation," said Kay Berthold Frishman, Executive Director of Family Service. "Their generosity will support our Counseling Center and our numerous community prevention programs that assist individuals and families throughout Greater Lawrence."

Glory: Outside dining gets OK

Essex Street spot looks to add Glory Cafe, which will also serve lunch

By Andrea Gregory

When Adrienne Pappadopoulos, Glory restaurant general manager, stands outside her 19 Essex St. building her eyes light up. She envisions trendy, outdoor tables and groups of people enjoying warm weather and kicking back with food or a few drinks. Her vision will be made real, possibly as early as this fall.

The Zoning Board of Appeals approved her plans to add outside seating for 32 people on the side of the restaurant that faces Memorial Hall Library, with a 5-0 vote on Tuesday.

"It feels good that the town is as excited as we are," said Pappadopoulos, moments after the decision.

Part of the project is adding a luncheon spot, called Glory Cafe, to the restaurant, but Pappadopoulos seems most excited about the outdoor tables. "I love outdoor seating," she said.

According to Pappadopoulos, she has been thinking about giving this option to Glory customers for years. Now, as Glory approaches its fifth year in business, it looks as if it will happen.

"Everyone says, 'Where? Where are you going to put it?'" she said. "We've been doing a lot of design work before approval so that when it is approved it's ready to go."

There are plans to extend the current black top, line the side of the property with a steel railing and shrubs, and cut out a window in the brick building so food can be passed through it.

Although summer is ending, she said she still wants to see the outside seating finished this year.

"Maybe it's not beach weather, but the fall does offer a number of comfortable nights," she said.

To keep the outdoor option open as long as possible Glory is looking to install heat lamps, climate controllers used at restaurants in many cities.

"Those heat lamps throw very comfortable, very natural heat," she said.

In addition to Glory's structural changes, a recent surprise award insured Pappadopoulos she is doing something right when it comes to running a restaurant. Glory won Boston Magazine's General Excellence North of



Glory is planning additions under the leadership of (from left) manager Eileen Eagen, chef Corinna Mozo and general manager Adrienne Pappadopoulos.

Boston Award for restaurants. She laughs when she recounts how she learned her restaurant had been named Best Of North of Boston restaurants.

"I got an invitation to the Boston Magazine 'Best Of' party," she said.

Pappadopoulos showed up, ready to rub elbows with the best

of the best in the business on July 29. She stepped away from her friends for a moment at the party and picked up a copy of the magazine scheduled to hit newsstands the next day. She said she was curious to see who won her category and finding out it was Glory was a complete shock.

"I finally find it and I'm by

myself in the middle of this party," she said.

Pappadopoulos rushed to find her friends and release her excitement.

"I'm whacking them in the arm saying, 'We won. We won,'" she said. "Apparently I was the only rookie who didn't know you only get invited if you win."

She mentioned someone tapped her on the shoulder to say, "Excuse me, honey, we all won."

She said knowing it is the public nominating and voting for the awards indicates customers are pleased with the establishment and that is something she wants to keep attached to Glory.

"Watching people run into their friends on the weekend here is so nice," Pappadopoulos said. As for the award, "We were hugely, hugely honored," she said.

Corinna Mozo, the cook that joined the Glory staff last September added she is also thrilled with the award. "The only thing I can say is that we're real happy and really honored," said Mozo. "We worked very hard this year."



Outside seating will soon join Glory Restaurant's banner, which is hanging outside and shows it was picked "Best Restaurant, General Excellence, North of Boston" by Boston Magazine.

Ongoing

Doughnut shop hopes for zoning approval by Sept. 15

Plans for Dunkin' Donuts to move its store from 96½ Main St. across the street to 93 Main St. stirred up responses for residents and town employees when the first presentation took place before the zoning board last Thursday.

Before any discussion took place Steve Colyer, planning director, passed out a memo to the

board members and Dunkin' Donuts lawyer, Mark Johnson, who took his client in the hall while the board took a break to review Colyer's comments.

Since approval by the Planning Board is also needed for Pino to move, Colyer brought zoning up to speed with issues it will be looking into, such as sidewalk

traffic patterns. The memo put an end to the rumor of a drive-up window possibly coming to the new location.

When the board opened session to the public some comments about Dunkin' Donuts owner Frank Pino were made with residents speaking both in and out of him.

Stephen Anderson, acting chairman asked if Pino was planning to hold over longer since the earliest the board could deliberate would be Sept. 11. Pino said staying longer was not an option saying there was a "time crunch." Pino is scheduled to negotiate his current location on Sept. 15.

—Andrea Gregory

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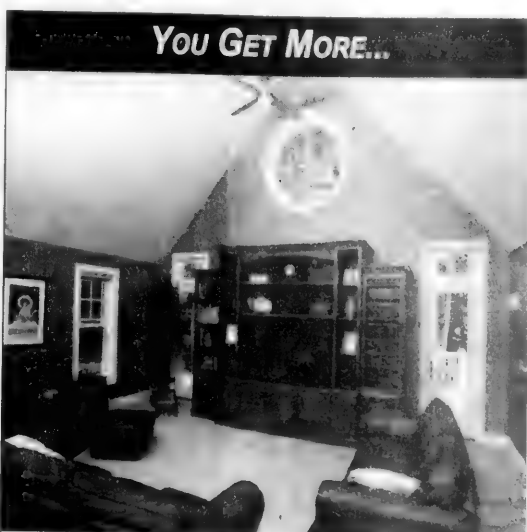


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Sports

New England Age Group Championships

Buoyed by competition

Local swimmers win medals for Magnus Aquatics Group

MAGNUS AQUATICS GROUP won the New England 12-and-Under Age Group Championships at Harvard University, July 24-27, with 4,863.5 points, defeating the second-place team, the Bay and Ocean State Squids, by 800 points.

The four-day meet, which many swimmers described as "grueling," was home to some of New England's toughest competition, such as Bernal's Gators and the Bay and Ocean State Squids.

However, Magnus emerged victorious. Magnus Aquatics Group is the parent swim team of Magnus North, a training group based in Haverhill that trains at the Greater Laurence Technical School in Andover.

Magnus North is comprised of swimmers from the Merrimack Valley.

The top individual finishers from the Magnus North Group were Nicholas D'Innocenzo, 12, of Andover, who placed third overall in the 11-and-12 boys division and

Julian Azaret, 12, of North Andover who placed seventh overall in the 11-and-12 boys age group.

D'Innocenzo placed second in the 100-meter Freestyle, second in the 1500-meter Freestyle, second in the 200-meter Breaststroke, third in the 200-meter Freestyle, third in the 800-meter Freestyle, third in the 100-meter Breaststroke, fourth in the 400-meter Freestyle, fourth in the 50-meter Breaststroke, and seventh in the 50-meter Freestyle.

Azaret finished second in the 200-meter Backstroke, third in the 400-meter Freestyle, fourth in the 800-meter Freestyle, fourth in the 1500-meter Freestyle, fourth in the 100-meter Backstroke, fourth in the 400-meter Individual Medley, fifth in the 50-meter Backstroke, and eighth in the 100-meter Freestyle.

In the 8-and-Under Girls division, Maggie D'Innocenzo, 8, of Andover placed third overall, while Amy Dolan, 8,

of North Andover placed eighth overall.

Maggie D'Innocenzo finished second in the 100-meter Freestyle, second in the 50-meter Butterfly, fifth in the 50-meter Backstroke, fifth in the 50-meter Breaststroke, fifth in the 200-meter Individual Medley and eighth in the 50-meter Freestyle. Dolan finished seventh in the 100-meter Freestyle, seventh in the 50-meter Backstroke, seventh in the 50-meter Breaststroke and ninth in the 200-meter Individual Medley.

The Magnus 9- and 10-year-old girls relay team took first place in the 200-meter Medley Relay with a time of 2:26.94, shattering a New England record by five seconds.

The relay team consisted of Katie Kaspar, Shannon Bender, Elizabeth Beisel and Rebecca Aiello. The Magnus 9- and 10-year-old girls relay also came in first place in the 400-meter Freestyle Relay with a time of 4:46.56, besting a New England record by eight seconds.

The relay consisted of Kristina Martin, Elizabeth Beisel, Rebecca Aiello and Shannon Bender.

The Magnus 11- and 12-year-old boys relay team of Nicholas D'Innocenzo, Julian Azaret, Tim O'Neill, and Conor Swanson took first place in the 400 meter Freestyle Relay, the 200 meter Medley Relay, and the 200 meter Freestyle Relay, for a clean sweep of the 11- and 12-year-old age group relays.

Other Magnus North swimmers from Andover who placed in the medals included:

- Jackie Alois, 7, who placed third in the 8-and-Under girls 50-meter Breaststroke.
- Connor McAuliffe, 11, who placed fourth in the 11-12 boys 200-meter Butterfly and eighth in the 11-12 boys 400-meter Individual Medley.
- Margot Ryan, 12, finished eighth in the 11-12 girls 200-meter Butterfly.
- Kristina Martin came in sixth in the 9-10 girls 400-meter Freestyle, as well as eighth in the 9-10 girls 200-meter Freestyle.
- Katie Kaspar placed sixth in the 9-10 girls 50-meter Breaststroke.
- Jack Dolan, 10, of North Andover, placed sixth in the 9-10 boys 50-meter Breaststroke.



Andover girls dominated in tennis at the 2003 Bay State Games. From left are Victoria Spagnuolo, 11; Olivia Spagnuolo, 10 (youngest in the tournament); and Victoria and Lauren Wilmarth, both 12.

Taking the Bay State by storm

Locals excel in 22nd Summer Games

By Rick Harrison

A number of Andover residents competed in the 22nd annual Bay State Summer Games held in mid-July.

It was 10 days of athletic action involving 24 sports, both individual and team, played at various college campuses in and around Boston including Harvard, MIT, UMass Boston and Wentworth Institute.

Several Andoverites returned home with gold, silver or bronze medals for their top-three finishes.

Here are some of the best individual performances by locals:

Track and Field

- Courtney Hamer placed second in the girls scholastic division 3,000 meter run, her 11:54.69 trailing only Kristin Ricci of Harvard (11:27.52).
- Ashley Beaucaire was 10th in the girls scholastic division long jump with a leap of 12'5 1/4."
- Charlie Russo finished third in the men's open division mile run with a 4:43.99 clocking. Winner Jon Buell of Westfield ran 4:34.91.
- Craig Hartwell was silver medalist in the men's open division discus throw with a toss of 129'8."

Girls tennis

- Victoria Spagnuolo was first, Victoria Wilmarth second and Olivia Spagnuolo fourth in the girls under-12 division of the tennis

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From left, Julian Azaret of North Andover and Maggie and Nick D'Innocenzo of Andover were top overall finishers in the New England Age Group Championships at Harvard University July 24-27.

Andover High athletics

Fall sports practices and tryouts start Aug. 18

By Rick Harrison

Pre-season practice and tryout sessions for 2003 Andover High fall sports will begin next week, the third week of August.

All student-athletes are required to have a current (within the last 13 months) physical exam on file with the school nurse before participating.

Physicals may be mailed to the nurse at Andover High, Shaw-sheen Road, Andover, 01810.

Those with questions should contact the athletic office at 978-623-8570.

The schedule:

CROSS COUNTRY

All boys and girls candidates are to meet in the field house parking

lot on Thursday, Aug. 21 at 8:30 a.m. Be ready to run.

FIELD HOCKEY

All candidates are to meet at the field hockey field behind the field house on Thursday, Aug. 21. The morning session will run from 8-11 a.m. and the afternoon session from 3-5:30 p.m. Freshmen are invited but not required to attend. Tryouts for the freshman team will begin Sept. 4 after school.

FOOTBALL

Conditioning sessions will be held Aug. 18, 19 and 20 from 3-5 p.m. at the high school. Upperclassmen will leave for camp Aug. 21. Freshmen will begin Thursday, Aug. 28 at 9 a.m.

GOLF

All candidates will meet on Thursday, Aug. 21 at 7 a.m. at Merrimack Golf Club in Methuen.

BOYS SOCCER

All candidates are to meet on Thursday, Aug. 21 at the Wood Hill Middle School. The morning session will run from 8-10 a.m. and the afternoon session from 3-5 p.m. Freshmen may come at this time if they wish to try out for the varsity or JV teams. Tryouts for the freshman team will begin after school on Sept. 4.

GIRLS SOCCER

Candidates are to meet at West Middle School on Thursday, Aug. 21. The morning session will run from 8-

11 a.m. and the afternoon session from 4-6 p.m. Freshmen may come at this time if they wish to try out for the varsity or JV teams. Tryouts for the freshman team will begin after school on Sept. 4.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

All candidates are to report to the high school field house/gym on Thursday, Aug. 21. The session will run from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

GIRLS SWIM & DIVE

All candidates should report at the entrance to the athletic office at Phillips Academy on Thursday, Aug. 21. Practice that day will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Phillips.

After that pre-season practices will run as follows:

Friday, Aug. 22 from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Phillips Academy.

Saturday, Aug. 23 from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Haverhill High.

Sunday, Aug. 24 from 4-6:30 p.m. at Haverhill High.

Monday, Aug. 25 from 4-6:30 p.m. at Indian Ridge Country Club.

Tuesday, Aug. 26 from 7-11:30 a.m. at Phillips Academy.

Wednesday, Aug. 27 from 6-8 p.m. at Indian Ridge Country Club.

Thursday, Aug. 28 from 6-8 p.m. at Indian Ridge Country Club.

Friday, Aug. 29 from 8-11:30 a.m. at Phillips Academy.

Saturday, Aug. 30 from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Haverhill High.



The 13U Andover Lady Warriors AAU basketball team played in the Nationals Tournament in Dayton, Ohio from July 23-31. The Lady Warriors finished third in the state tournament to qualify for the Nationals. Earlier last month, the Lady Warriors finished second in the Bay State Games in Boston. Front row (from left): Ilana Cohen, Kaitlyn Caro, Kelly Driscoll, Meghan Thomann, Liane Lantagne. Back row: Laura Renfro, Lauren Hughes, Kasey O'Dea, Camille Fantini, Addie Saloman, Coach Larry Renfro.

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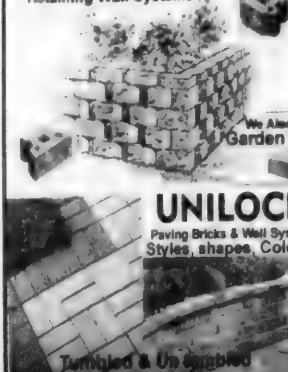
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WHAT'S UP

Hot competition at Andover Community Skate Park

By Tony Lombardi
Andover Youth Services

The Andover Community Skate Park hosted its first contest of the 2003 season on Saturday, Aug. 9. The contest, sponsored by local skate shop Eastern Boarder, brought skaters from all over Andover and the surrounding communities to the park to show off the skills they have been mastering all summer.

In addition to the 50-plus skaters, about 100 spectators lined the benches at the park to watch as the skaters thrashed, ollied and grinded every imaginable surface of the park.

All in attendance were treated to fantastic performances by each and every skater. Standout skating from Kyle Hatem (13 and under) and Paul Caradonna (14-17), both Skate Park regulars, produced first place results in their respective divisions. Along with those first-place tags came a slew of great prizes, including skateboards, backpacks and clothing. The staff at the Andover Community Skate Park acknowledged Eastern Boarder of Danvers, all the skaters who participated, and those who braved the heat and

humidity to enjoy a great day of skating.

Upcoming events

The Andover Community Skate Park and the Andover Youth Services would like to invite everyone to the park on Saturday, Aug. 23 for a pro skateboarding demo by the Globe team. Possible skaters include Chad Fernandez, Matt Mumford, Danny Gonzalez, Jayme Fortune and newcomers Cooper Wilt and DJ Chavez.

Also, on Monday, Aug. 25, the Skate Park will hold a skateboard clinic for

skaters of all ages and abilities. Participants will learn from local sponsored skaters and Skate Park staff.

The clinic will run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will include lunch. The cost is \$35. For more information or to register, go to the Andover Community Skate Park and speak with one of the staff.

► **WHAT'S UP** is written by kids for kids. The feature also highlights activities available for younger Andover residents. E-mail submissions to: jack@andovertownsmen.com.

2003 BAY STATE GAMES

Taking the Bay State by storm

■ SWIMMERS

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competition held at UMass Boston.

• In the girls under-12 doubles, Victoria and Lauren Wilmarth earned gold while Victoria and Olivia Spagnuolo were silver medalists.

• Andover High tennis standout Marsha Mogilevich was second in the girls under-18 singles.

Judo

• Sharon Yacubowicz was first in girls junior lightweight division judo, while Shirley Yacubowicz placed second in girls junior middleweight division judo.

Fencing

• Andrew Fraser finished 27th in boys scholastic division fencing.

Synchronized Swimming

The Andover/North Andover YMCA Synch scored numerous medals in competition at the UMass Boston pool.

Andover's Jessica Mancini was on the first-place junior division trio team (58.250 score), while Sheila Cremin helped her threesome to second place in the same division (51.750).

• Faryn Shiro and Kelly Mahoney were members of the second-place scholastic division trio (67.000), while Erica Potts and Molly Trerotola were fourth-place finishers (55.750).

• Potts also teamed with Emily Ingram for third-place bronze in the junior division duet (53.750).

• Sarah Hansen and Ashley Cohen were gold medalists in the scholastic division duet (67.250), and Hansen added fourth in the scholastic division solo (65.250).

• In the junior division team competition, Mancini was on the gold medal foursome (59.750) and Cremin earned silver (51.750).

• The scholastic division second-place team included Shiro and Mahoney (65.250).

• In junior division figures, the A/N Synch took eight of the top 10 spots including Margaret Conlon first (59.076), Jessica Mancini fifth (53.972), Molly Trerotola ninth (51.471) and Erica Potts 10th (51.057).

• In scholastic division figures, Sarah Hansen placed fifth (64.910), Faryn Shiro sixth (64.147) and Kelly Mahoney seventh (63.817).

2003 BAY STATE GAMES

Andover residents who registered to compete in the 2003 Bay State Games, along with their age and sport

NAME	AGE	SPORT
Allison Alwan	12	Swimming
Ashley Beaucaire	17	Track/Field
Sheila Cremin	11	Synchronized Swim
John Dugan	N/A	7v7 Soccer
Andrew Fraser	16	Fencing
Josh Gagnon	20	7v7 Soccer
Caitlin Hamer	18	Swimming
Courtney Hamer	15	Swimming
Courtney Hamer	15	Track/Field
Sarah Hansen	17	Synchronized Swim
Diana Harlow	16	Swimming
Lauren Harlow	18	Swimming
Craig Hartwell	24	Track/Field
Ben Hoerner	17	Ice Hockey
Tim Hughes	16	Baseball
Whitney Kelly	17	Lacrosse
Kristin Korsberg	13	Swimming
Maggie Lamond	16	Lacrosse
Jeanne Lothrop	17	Lacrosse
Eric Lundquist	N/A	7v7 Soccer
Kelly Mahoney	13	Synchronized Swim
Jessica Mancini	11	Synchronized Swim
James Merrill	13	Fencing
Arianna Miliotis	17	Lacrosse
Marsha Mogilevich	17	Tennis
Jacqui Munro	16	Ice Hockey
Kate Nichols	16	Lacrosse
Torey Nicholson	17	Judo
Julia Nizinski	17	Swimming
Erica Potts	12	Synchronized Swim
Larry Renfro	N/A	Juniors Basketball
Charlie Russo	25	Track/Field
Faryn Shiro	14	Synchronized Swim
Olivia Spagnuolo	9	Tennis
Victoria Spagnuolo	11	Tennis
Molly Trerotola	11	Synchronized Swim
Jessica Wailes	17	Lacrosse
Lauren Wilmarth	12	Tennis
Victoria Wilmarth	12	Tennis
Joshua Wood	16	Volleyball
Sharon Yacubowicz	12	Judo
Shirley Yacubowicz	16	Judo

Long Course Summer National Swim Meet

YMCA swimmers excel at meet

By Rick Harrison

Nine Andover youngsters are members of the Andover/North Andover YMCA swim team that recently returned from the Long Course Summer National Swim Meet held at the University of Maryland Aquatic Center in College Park.

The Andover residents are Sarah and Elizabeth Demers, Amy Caron, Emily Brenner, Michael Cronin, Kristi Korsberg, Elizabeth Mancuso, Nick Saunders and Robert Medaglio.

Caron and Mancuso were also instrumental in the Andover High girls swim and dive team's fourth

straight state title clinching last fall, while Saunders and Medaglio helped the AHS boys to one of their most successful seasons ever last winter.

In all 16 swimmers from the local 'Y' attended the national meet, some of whom may attend the United States Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs next swim season.

Several Andover swimmers also competed at the same Long Course Meet for the YMCA of the North Shore Sharks based in Beverly.

The Sharks placed 21st in the field of more than 150 teams from

across the nation.

Lauren Harlow, 18, had the top finish among locals with a sixth in the 400 IM (5:08.70), and she also swam the 1,500 free (17th, 18:17.77), 200 IM (18th, 2:29.83) and 200 free (36th, 2:14.00).

Caitlin Hamer, 18, swam the 800 free (44th, 9:53.18), 200 free (68th, 2:16.48), 400 free (78th, 4:52.73) and 100 free (88th, 1:03.60).

Diana Harlow, 16, competed in the 400 IM (24th, 5:23.69), 200 backstroke (24th, 2:31.36), 200 butterfly (44th, 2:34.06) and 200 IM (67th, 2:35.80).

Robbins Suburban Pony League

Andover Blue short by one win

By Rick Harrison

Andover Blue came within one victory of capturing the 2003 Robbins Suburban Pony League 14-15 division playoff championship.

Blue, which finished the season 15-7-1 overall – including 5-2 in the playoffs – swept quarterfinal and semifinal round best-of-3 series before extending top seed Londonderry, N.H. to three games in the final showdown.

Blue beat Londonderry 4-2 in the title series' opener at LAFA Park in Londonderry, before the champs (21-3 overall) squared it with a 7-4 victory in game two at Aumais Park.

The third-and-deciding game

resulted in a 6-3 victory for Londonderry back on its home field.

Andover Blue and Andover Gold locked up in a hotly-contested semifinal round series at Aumais Park.

Blue won the opener, 6-3, and in a suspended game that took two days to complete Blue rallied for an 8-7 triumph to complete the sweep. Rain and darkness had forced the suspension.

Blue also swept Wilmington in the first round with 4-1 and 11-5 victories.

Andover Gold (14-7) was upset 6-4 by North Chelmsford in the opening game of its quarterfinal, but bounced back to square the series

with a 9-1 victory and then held on for a 7-6 triumph in the deciding game to move to the semifinals against Blue.

In the Robbins/Suburban 13-year-old division, top seed Andover was eliminated by No. 3 Dracut in a best-of-3 semifinal round series after losing two straight by 5-3 and 8-3 scores.

Dracut and Chelmsford are currently playing for the league championship in that division, their series tied 1-1 with the twice-postponed deciding game now scheduled for this Saturday at Volunteer Field in Chelmsford (2 p.m.).

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LOCAL ATHLETES

Katie O'Connell competed in the Regional Championships (Region 1-USA Diving) at Harvard University in Boston Massachusetts on July 4th and 5th. Katie is 11 years old and will enter 7th grade at West Middle School. She competed in the 11 and under category for both 1-Meter and 3-Meter Springboard Diving. Katie placed 5th on the 1-Meter (over 20 participants) and 8th on the 3-Meter (18 participants). Divers participated from as far as Fort Lauderdale Florida. She dives for Charles River Diving at Harvard University and is coached by Keith and Agnes Miller. Charles River came in 1st overall for total team performance.



David White

in the 12-year-old advanced division. David trains at Stephen Perry's School of Karate in North Hampton, N.H. Teammate Zach Merrigan of Rye, N.H. also earned a bronze medal. Their performances in the state, regional and national competitions throughout the year has earned them positions on the AAU National Karate Team. Both competitors will be representing the United States in international competition next spring in Japan.

The varsity girls track team at Governor Dummer Academy in Byfield finished its spring season by taking second in the Independent School Track Association's meet, making them runner-up for the ISL

league championship.

Senior **Elizabeth Dipple** of Andover turned in an outstanding performance, organizers said, winning the 300-meter hurdles.

At the New England Division 3 track championships, the girls finished fourth, with Dipple winning first for the third consecutive year in the 300 intermediate hurdles and coming in third in the 100-meter hurdles.

Dipple will attend Quinnipiac University in the fall.

Four young Andover residents scored big at two state judo tournaments on the weekend of July 11-13, and sibling rivalry had nothing to do with it.

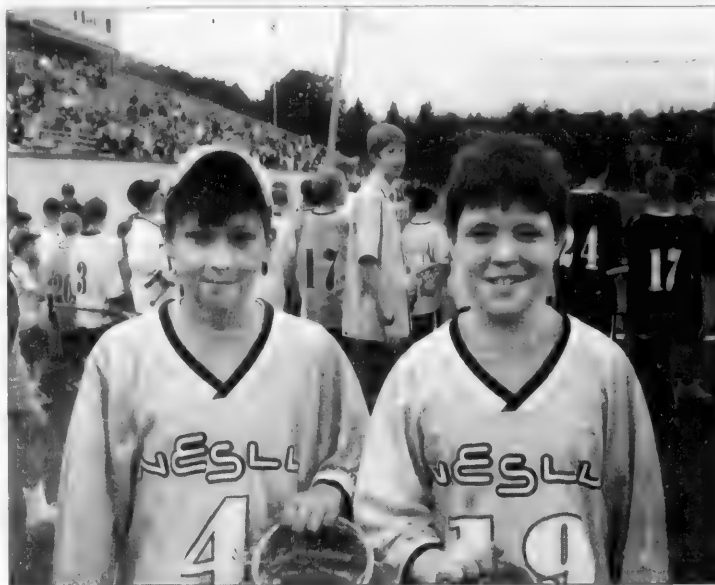
The two sets of Andover siblings are members of Pedro's Judo Club of Lawrence. **Shirley** and **Sharon Yacobowicz**, the sister team, both scored victories at the Bay State Games judo tournament, held July 13 at UMass Boston.

Sharon, 12, took first place in her lightweight division. Shirley, 16, took home three medals: first place in her junior division, second place in a heavier junior weight division, and first place in the senior women's black belt division.

Torey and Crosby Nicholson, the brother team, took home first place medals in their weight divisions, but accomplished their feats in two different tournaments. Crosby, 9, competed in the Junior Judo Bay State Games in Somerville on July 11, missing the age qualification date for the regular Bay State games by two weeks. He took first place in the heavy-weight division. Torey, 18, a 2003 graduate of Andover High

School, took first place in the senior lightweight division in the competition at UMass Boston on July 13. Torey is also the 2003 recipient of the Masayoshi Harry Yanagi college scholarship for his dedication to and accomplishments in judo. The Yacobowicz sisters and the Nicholson brothers are coached by three-time Olympian and bronze medalist

CANNON FIRE



COURTESY PHOTO

Peter Anson (left) and Brendan Hughes were among the members of the New England Select Lacrosse League (NESLL) U-15 North East Team from Andover who competed this summer in a curtain-raiser game before the Boston Cannons Major League Lacrosse home opener against the New Jersey Pride at Cawley Stadium in Lowell. NESLL players, families and friends joined more than 5,000 fans to watch a 15-14 Cannons victory in overtime.

Jimmy Pedro of Lawrence.

Andover resident **Michael Sheehy** of Indian Ridge Country Club was among 37 players in the Francis Ouimet Scholarship Fund Golf Marathon XI played on Aug. 6 at Stow Acres Country Club.

Sheehy played 100 holes. This event has been the largest golf marathon in the country for

the past ten years and this year the event raised \$175,000 for The Fund. Since the Ouimet Fund's founding in 1949, it has awarded over \$12.6 million in need-based, undergraduate college-tuition assistance to young people in Massachusetts who have given two years of service to golf as caddies or as helpers in pro shops or course superintendent operations.

September sendoff

Retirement party for lifetime resident, long-time AD, Jim Hurley is Sept. 5

A retirement party for longtime Andover High athletic director **Jim Hurley** will be held Friday evening, Sept. 5, at Hillview Country Club in North Reading.

Cost is \$30 per person and only tables of 10 may be reserved.

Hurley, a lifetime Andover resident who went through the Andover school system and was a three-sport standout at AHS, has overseen a high school program that now boasts 29 varsity sports as well as a full complement of junior varsity and freshman teams.

Under his watch Andover teams have won 10 state titles

in girls swimming, girls gymnastics, baseball, track and girls basketball while also capturing the prestigious Dalton Award (best overall winning percentage for all sports in all EMass. schools) twice.

Taking over for Hurley at the post, which now combines athletics and physical education, are **Brian McNally** and **Dave Nichols**.

Tickets for the Hurley fete are available by calling **Mareen Morrison** in the athletic office at 978-623-8570, **Dick Bourdelais** at 978-475-0974 or **Karl Lippmann** at 978-682-4338.

Deadline for ticket purchase is Friday, Aug. 29.



◀ **Ted Dipple**, owner of the Amesbury Sports Park, held a free soccer clinic with **Tony "Tosh" Farrell** of Everton Soccer Club of Liverpool, England. Farrell, a soccer coach for youth in England, was brought here by Dipple to offer free coaching to area youth. Dipple, an Andover resident, has recently opened the New England Soccer School at the Amesbury Sports Park, 12 Hunt Road, Amesbury, which features the new Wall2Wall Stadiums and specialized turf designed for soccer. Andover residents participating include, from left: **Ted Dipple**, **Erin Woodbury**, **Jules Konjoian**, **Kacie McManus**, **Ela Cross**, **Laura Cody**, **Toshi Farrell**; in front: **Nate Malone** and **David Woodbury**.

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Thursday, August 14

Live music, Lowell Summer Music Children's Series presents *L'il Iguana Traveling Safety Show*, sponsored by the Lowell National Historical Park, the Lowell Festival Foundation and the University of Mass. Lowell, bring blankets and lawn chairs, picnics welcome, free, 11 a.m., Boarding House Park. Lowell, rain location is Lowell High School Auditorium; 978-970-5000. Ext. 41; www.lowellsummersmusic.org.

Comedy, North Shore Music Theatre presents Vicki Lawrence and Mama, \$29 - \$39, 8 p.m., North Shore Music Theatre, 62 Dunham Road Beverly, to purchase tickets online at www.nsmat.org, 978-232-7200 or visit the box office.

Theater, Atlantis Playmakers, *I Hate Hamlet*, 8 p.m., features Barbara Bourgeois of Andover as Lillian, Bennett Library and Cultural Center, 3 Concord Road, Billerica; 978-667-0550.

College fair, North Shore Colleges will host Adult Learner/Corporate Education Fair, representatives from North Shore colleges will be available, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Cummings Center, Beverly; 978-236-1200.

Shakespeare, Sleepy Lion Theater Company presents *The Tempest*, \$15, \$7 under 10 and over 65, 7 p.m., outdoors, Sleepy Lion Theater, Topsfield; 978-468-0672.

Live music, Peter Prince, \$8, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m., Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Friday, August 15

Live music, Lowell Summer Music Series presents "A Celebration of Richard Rodgers' 100th Birthday," sponsored by the Lowell National Historical Park, the Lowell Festival Foundation and the University of Mass. Lowell, bring blankets and lawn chairs, picnics welcome, \$5, under 12 free, 7:30 p.m., Boarding House Park. Lowell, rain location Lowell High School Auditorium; 978-970-5000 Ext. 41; www.lowellsummersmusic.org.

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Live music, North Shore Music Theatre presents Johnny Mathis, \$47 - \$55, 8 p.m., North Shore Music Theatre, 62 Dunham Road Beverly, to purchase tickets online at www.nsmat.org, 978-232-7200 or visit the box office.

Theater, North Shore Music Theatre Summer Stages Stage Four presents *Ragtime*, Andover residents include Ned Berger, Catherine Charlebois, Rebecca Christoforo, Briga Heelan and Tina Leber, \$5-\$10, 2 and 7 p.m., performed at Marblehead High School, 2 Humphrey St., Marblehead; 978-232-7200, www.nsmat.org.

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Summer swan songs – DCS was scheduled to present Rico Barr and the Jump N' Jive Review last night, Wednesday, Aug. 13 at 6 p.m. Next week, Wednesday, Aug. 20, Hart Leavitt's band, The 6 of Harts, will be the final performance in its summer concert series in the Park, at the corner of Chestnut and Bartlett streets. In case of rain, this concert will not be rescheduled for the following evening in Memorial Auditorium, unlike previous concerts in the series. Call Mary Donohue at 978-623-8274.

Changing of the guard at the Addison Gallery

Director Weinberg going back to the Whitney next month

By Ben Hellman

ADAM WEINBERG, director of Phillips Academy's Addison Gallery of American art, will leave his post in late September to take the reins of the Whitney Museum of Modern American Art in New York City.

But Weinberg's leaving will not change the museum's direction, said Susan Faxon, who will serve as interim director until a new director is chosen.

The Addison will continue to reach out to students and the community as a teaching museum and will continue to showcase the best of American art, she said.

While at the Addison, Weinberg brought nationally recognized artists to Andover. His "Stelines: Art on Main" project last year brought artists to Andover who worked with students in Andover and Lawrence to create art that was displayed right throughout downtown Andover, including on Main Street.

Weinberg worked at the Whitney as senior curator before taking the Andover job in January of 1999. He will return as the museum's new director. Weinberg already

knows the board of directors and the curatorial staff of the prominent New York museum, said Faxon. "He knows the place very well," she said.



Adam Weinberg

Weinberg was in Maine camping this week and was not available for comment. He will be back for the museum's September opening of "Fred Wilson: Objects and Installations 1979-2000."

"We were looking for someone who understood the key mission of the Whitney: to champion American art and living artists," said Leonard Lauder, chairman of the Whitney's board. "We also wanted someone who would be a great support to our curators. Adam fits the bill on both counts."

The Whitney is also an American art museum, but focuses on 20th and 21st century American artists, while the Addison's collection spans all periods of American art. Founded in 1931, the Whitney houses more than 13,000 works by more than 2,000 artists.

The Addison opened a year earlier and boasts 500 more works by the same number of artists. The Addison was the first museum devoted completely to American art.



Although Weinberg's leaving will not change the museum's direction, "We're very sad to have him go. It's a great opportunity for him."

SUSAN FAXON, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF THE ADDISON GALLERY (BELOW, LEFT) AND SOON-TO-BE INTERIM DIRECTOR

Faxon is currently associate director of the museum and curator of pre-1950 art. She has been with the Addison for 17 years. She said the fall and winter exhibition schedule is an exciting one that will turn the public's attention on the museum itself.

The Fred Wilson exhibit opening on Tuesday, Sept. 2 and another exhibit from the permanent collection later in the season will ask the question, "How does a museum decide what is hung and why – and what (does that say) about curatorial statements?" said Faxon.

The search process for a new director will begin when Weinberg leaves. "We're in very good shape," said Faxon, who also expressed sadness at Weinberg's leaving. "We're very sad to have him go. It's a great opportunity for him," she said.

Faxon said Weinberg was involved with scheduling Addison exhibits through 2006. "His hand will be visible and tangible here as we go forward with our exhibitions and our educational program," she said.

WHAT'S UP

Summer leaves local bands with little time for practice

By Dan Jordan

FOR MANY ADULTS, THE MENTION of summer and teenagers in the same sentence brings a vivid picture: kids with nothing to do, sitting around, sleeping until noon, playing loud music on their guitars all day.

However, when summer rolls around it can actually become a challenge for high school bandmates to practice and work together as much as they would like, due to issues such as jobs and traveling. High school musicians say that unless they have a gig to prepare for, they may not get together to practice much at all.

"Now that school is out," says Andover High senior Dave Tanklefsky, saxophone player in Grimis, the formidable jazz/funk quartet, "we have all been pretty busy with different stuff, so finding time to practice is difficult, but when we are hanging out together we have played a little."

"It has definitely been more difficult to find time to practice in the summer. Although none of us really have time-consuming jobs, we have all been busy," he continues. "Also, for us we usually practice a lot when we know we have concerts coming up so it is difficult to be as disciplined as a group when we aren't playing many concerts."

Motivation sometimes is a more apparent reason as to why most high school bands take a break for the summer. A touch of laziness, coinciding with a late night or a morning spent sleeping, can make simple things, such as having a band practice, easier said than done.

Those looking forward to the next Grimis show may be a bit disappointed that there is not a specific date to pass along; however, Grimis probably will be playing outside at the Essex Art Center in Lawrence before the school year begins.

Like Grimis, another band that has progressed greatly in the short time members have been together is the jam band Clay. "Clay had a funny start," recalls Chris DeLorenzo, guitarist and Andover High senior. "Mark Brickman (guitar) and I were in art class and we wanted to start a band, but we



Members of the band Clay and the Electric Mustache performed on Saturday, July 26 at the Lowell Folk Festival, which is "the largest free folk festival in the nation," according to organizers. Members of the band, from left, are: Chris DeLorenzo, Lyle Brewer, Rick Umlah, Mark Brickman, Steven Brickman and Brayden Hass.

didn't know any drummers or bass players. A friend of ours said 'Hey, I think Brayden Hass plays the bass and Alex Baron plays the drums,' and before long there were rumors going around the school saying that there's a new band with Chris DeLorenzo, Mark Brickman, Alex Baron, and Brayden Hass, but Alex and Brayden still didn't know about it. We finally met them, and they were a perfect match. They were just like us, and liked the same type of music and were all really good at their instruments."

As with Grimis, Clay has difficulty getting the entire band together to practice, due to members' work schedules, and because junior Alex Baron spends his summer in New York.

"Clay is hoping to play some shows if we can ever practice. We are going to play a little show up in New York at some party in Hague, N.Y., in Alex's town. We also just got a call to play at Higher Grounds Coffee House in Lowell, for the third time," said Chris.

Along with these shows, Clay also recently played at the large outdoor Lowell Folk Festival, a big step for the band, which featured original songs as well as covers of Soulive and Phish. The practice schedule was rigorous for the week preceding the concert.

As Mark Brickman said, "We all have our own schedules and are doing our own stuff, so it's like, whenever we are all free, we can play. But we mostly just put practice as our No. 1 concern the week before a show, so that's what counts." This show notwithstanding, summer opportunities are scarce and the motivation to practice limited, at least for these two groups.

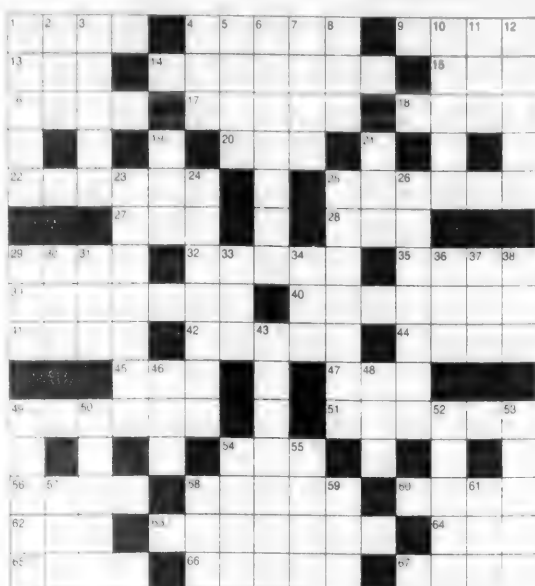
"I think that there is more time to play in the summer now that we don't have homework or tests to study for," says Chris. "But it's a lot harder to play in the summer because no one is ever available."

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44. Have a disposition to do something
45. Jamaican popular music
47. Decorate a cake
49. Russian peasant
51. In a way, rigid
54. Sixth letter of Hebrew alphabet
56. Abel's brother (Bible)
58. Regenerate
60. Swedish rock group
62. The space above the ground



63. College fee
64. A fine skill
65. A European river
66. Wink
67. Ancient Egyptian deity

CLUES DOWN

1. Apply perfume to

2. Diving bird
3. Fatty part of milk
4. Pat lightly
5. Be obedient to
6. Italian dish made of cornmeal mush
7. Ancient Greek god of love
8. Coniferous tree

10. Type of group
11. Wrath
12. Hook a line
19. Fish eggs
21. No (Scottish)
23. Flaw
24. Veil
25. Abstain
26. Cacophony
29. An enclosure for swine
30. Exclamation of surprise
31. Manipulate
33. A stimulus
34. Large, mythological bird
36. Pretend
37. Longest division of geological time
38. Conclusion
43. Red wine
46. Young goat
48. Two-wheeled, horse-drawn carriage
49. S. China seaport
50. African country
52. Capital of Morocco
53. Ire
54. Head covering
55. Distinctive style or manner
57. Help
58. Chafe
59. Type of frying pan
61. Supporter

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cleaning. Sudden Pond, Middleton Road, North Andover. Follow signs to event.

Clambake, sponsored by the Lawrence Council 67 Knights of Columbus, main courses \$18-\$24, hamburgers and hotdogs also available for 50 cents, main courses served 1-2 p.m., games 11 a.m.-close, 1 Market St., Lawrence, purchase tickets before day of event, 978-686-5525 or 978-686-5721.

Carnival, Winnekenni Foundation and the Domestic Carito Family will host the annual Carnival at the Castle, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Winnekenni Castle, Haverhill: 781-224-3228.

Live music, Lowell Summer Music Children's Series presents *African Dance*, sponsored by the Lowell National Historical Park, the Lowell Festival Foundation and the University of Mass. Lowell, bring blankets and lawn chairs, picnics welcome, free, 11 a.m., Boarding House Park, Lowell, rain location Lowell High School Auditorium; 978-970-5000 Ext. 41, www.lowellsummermusic.org.

Live comedy, Patti Ross, Al March, \$12, R-rated hypnotist Joey Devito every Saturday, 10:30 p.m., Joke-mavens Comedy Club, Guest House Inn and Suites, 159 Pelham St., Methuen: 866-404-JOKE, www.jokemaven.com.

Live music, Lowell Summer Music Series presents The Grass Roots

with Rob Grill, sponsored by Lowell National Historical Park, Lowell Festival Foundation and University of Mass. Lowell, bring blankets and lawn chairs, picnics welcome, \$10, under 12 free, 7:30 p.m., Boarding House Park, Lowell, rain location Lowell High School Auditorium; 978-970-5000 Ext. 41, www.lowellsummermusic.org.

Opening, the American Textile Museum special exhibit "Runway Madness: The Fashion Photography of Lucian Perkins" museum admission \$6, \$4 seniors and students, under 6 free, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 491 Dutton St., Lowell; 978-441-0400 or www.athm.org.

Live music, Adam Connelly Blues Trio, no cover, 8:30-11 p.m., the Tap Restaurant, 100 Washington St., Haverhill: 978-374-1117.

Live music, Stan Swiniarski, no cover, 9 p.m., Higher Ground Coffee House, 194 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-4007.

Live music, Charlie Farren, \$13-\$15, 7 p.m., Rollover Baby, \$5, 10 p.m., Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell: 978-453-5755.

Live music, Starla, Sector Nine-Eight, Fishes Eddy, \$5, doors open 9 p.m., Evos Arts, 98 Middle St., Lowell: 978-441-9906, www.evosarts.com.

Art reception, At Day's End, free, 6-9 p.m., Walsingham Gallery, 47 Merrimac St., Newburyport: 978-499-4411, www.thewalsingham-gallery.com.

Live music, North Shore Music Theatre presents Johnny Mathis, \$47-\$55, 8 p.m., North Shore Music Theatre, 62 Dunham Road Beverly, to purchase tickets online at www.nsmt.org, 978-232-7200 or visit the box office.

Live music, Music at Eden's Edge, \$16-\$22, 8 p.m., Castle Hill Concert Barn, Crane Estate, 280 Argilla Road, Ipswich: 978-356-7774.

The Tempest, see Aug. 14 entry.
Ragtime, see Aug. 15 entry.

Sunday, August 17

Auditions, The Colonial Chorus Players of Reading will hold open auditions for their fall production of *Working*, ages 14 and up, 7 p.m., 1249 Main St., Reading: 781-944-9780, www.colonialchorus.com.

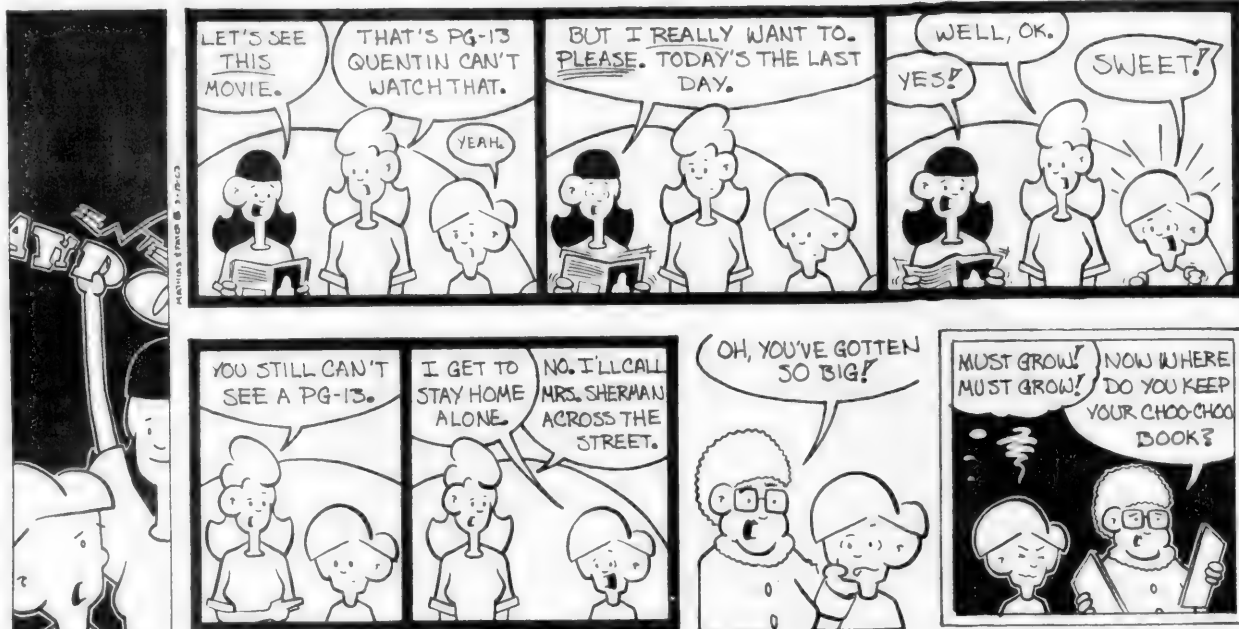
Barbecue, and flea market, sponsored by The Order of the Amaranth, a Masonic Affiliation, Wameset Masonic Building, Victory Road, Tewksbury, for times and pricing call 978-685-1725.

MSPCA Rock Run, Nevins Farms is looking for motorcycle riders to join their charity ride "Rock Run," pledge sheets available at the shelter, riders line up at 9 a.m., ride at 10 a.m., for more information call

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Live music, North Shore Music Theatre presents Enghbert Humberdinck, \$41-\$53, 8 p.m., North Shore Music Theatre, 62 Dunham Road, Beverly, purchase tickets at www.nsmt.org, 978-232-7200 or visit the box office.

Antique cars, the North Shore Old Car Club will hold "Architecture and Automobiles: Cars Meet on Chestnut Street," free, noon-3 p.m., rain date Aug. 24, Stevens Phillips Trust House, 34 Chestnut St., Salem; 978-744-0440.

Live music, Barbara and Al Boudreau Jazz Quartet featuring Gray Sargent, Jack Senior and Mark Carlsen, 6-10 p.m., Studio Restaurant, Rocky Neck Art Colony, Gloucester, reservation recommended, 978-283-4123.

Ragtime, see Aug. 15 entry.

Monday, August 18

Fundraiser, golfers and sponsors needed for golf tournament to benefit the Deana Fund, the fund uses educational theater and arts-based programs to teach students and community members about dating/domestic violence, bullying and harassment, registration 12:30 p.m., tee-off time 1:30 p.m., reception to follow includes buffet dinner, entertainment and live auction, Thomas Country Club, North Reading; 781-438-5604.

Auditions, see Aug. 17 entry.

Tuesday, August 19

Theater, the Essex Art Center Alley Theater Performances SummerPlay 2003 presents *The Mock Doctor*, featuring Andover residents Eli Grober and Katja Grober, free, 7:30 p.m., bring a chair or blanket, performance will be held indoors in case of rain, Essex Art Center Alley

Theater, 56 Island St., Lawrence; 978-685-2343, www.essexartcenter.com.

Live music, Alex Minasian Sextet, \$5, 7:30 p.m., Roma Restaurant, 29 Middlesex St., Bradford; 978-374-8001.

Wednesday, August 20

Rescheduled concert, DCS presents the 6 of Harts (originally set for July 23), now the final summer concert series in the Park, 6 p.m., in the Park at the corner of Chestnut and Bartlet streets, in case of rain the concert will not be rescheduled; Mary Donohue 978-623-8274

Demonstration, Music Together, an early childhood music development program, offers a 45 minute demonstration class, free, 1 p.m., Maternal Health and Fitness, 3 Dundee Park, to reserve a space call Rosemary Halloran 978-688-3326

Live music, Boston Landmark Orchestra presents "Three Landmark Sopranos" Leah Hunt, Jonita Lattimore and Deborah Fields, 7 p.m., Rogers Center for the Arts, North Andover; 617-520-2200, www.LandmarkOrchestra.org

Party, Tewksbury Public Library will end their summer reading program Read! Think! Create! with a party, all members are invited to bring a blanket and a lunch, prizes, devils drinks and more, 1 p.m., Butterfly Garden, Tewksbury Public Library, Noelle or Karen 978-640-4490 Ext. 204.

Live music, RFD, free, doors open 9 p.m., Evos Arts, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-441-9906, www.evosarts.com.

Live music, open mic with Stan Swinski, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m., Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755

Open mic, Powow River Poets Reading Series, free, 7:30 p.m., Newburyport Art Association Gallery, 65 Water St., Newbury-

port; www.newburyportart.org.

Tour, Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities presents Kids as Collectors, children in grades 4-6 are invited to tour the home of collector Bertam K. and Nina Fletcher Little, learn how a museum creates a collection and cares for it, children are encouraged to bring a sample of their own collection to discuss, \$5, 10-11:30 a.m., Cogswell's Grant, 60 Spring St., Essex, reservations required; 978-768-3-32.

The Mock Doctor, see Aug. 19 entry.

Thursday, August 21

Live music, aboard the 65-foot Schooner Thomas E. Lannon, \$30-\$40, 6-8:30 p.m., sails from Seven Seas Wharf, Gloucester House Restaurant, Gloucester, reservation recommended, 978-281-6634, www.schooner.org.

The Mock Doctor, see Aug. 19 entry.

I Hate Hamlet, see Aug. 14 entry.

Friday, August 22

Live music, Roomful of Blues, \$30-\$27 for seniors (62 or older), \$15 for students, 8 p.m., Stoneham Theatre, 395 Main St., Stoneham, 781-279-2200.

Live music, Amy Fairchild, \$10, 8 p.m., The Crescent Dragon, 59 Washington St., Haverhill, 978-372-5441, www.crescentdragon.com

Live music, Marty Berk Jazz Trio, no cover, 8:30-11 p.m., the Tap Restaurant, 100 Washington St., Haverhill; 978-374-1117

Live music, Jake Armerding, \$10-\$12, 8 p.m., Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755

Live music, Distant Relatives, \$5, 9 p.m., Evos Arts, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-441-9906, www.evosarts.com

Live comedy, Harrison Stebbins, John Joyce, Tom Morello, \$12, 9:30 p.m., Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, North Andover, 781-938-8088

Live comedy, Bob Seibel, \$12, Joke-mavens Comedy Club, Guest House Inn and Suites, 159 Pelham St., Methuen; 866-404-JOKE, www.jokemaven.com.

Live music, Lowell Summer Music Series presents the Holmes Brothers, sponsored by the Lowell National Historical Park, the Lowell Festival Foundation and the University of Mass. Lowell, bring blankets and lawn chairs, picnics welcome, \$5, under 12 free, 7:30 p.m., Boarding House Park, Lowell, rain location Lowell High School Auditorium; 978-970-5000 Ext. 41, www.lowellsummermusic.org

Lobsterbake, aboard the 65-foot Schooner Thomas E. Lannon, \$55-\$65, 6-8:30 p.m., sails from Seven Seas Wharf, Gloucester House Restaurant, Gloucester, reservation recommended, 978-281-6634, www.schooner.org

The Mock Doctor, see Aug. 19 entry.

I Hate Hamlet, see Aug. 14 entry.

Seventh season of sweet music

Andover Chamber Music Series announces 2003-04 dates

The Andover Chamber Music Series has announced another concert series for the 2003-04 season. The woman behind – and in front of – the music, artistic director and flutist Julia Scolnik, has designed six thematic programs of chamber works with internationally acclaimed artists.

All but one of the concerts will take place at the acoustically superb, easily accessible and intimate Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College in North Andover.

ACMS opens the season on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 7:30 p.m. with *The Fairy's Kiss*. This concert features Bordel from Piazzola's *L'Historie du Tango* for flute and guitar; a flamboyant guitar piece by Spanish composer Albeniz; and Stravinsky's brilliant *Divertimento* for violin and piano, named after his ballet *The Fairy's Kiss* and played by violinist Irina Muresanu.

Remembrance and Hope, to be held Sunday, Nov. 16, at 4 p.m., presents works composed amidst – or in tribute to – adversity and suffering, and promises to be an unforgettable musical event, organizers said. The works include the cello movement from the *Quartet for the End of Time* by composer Messiaen, written while he was in a German prison-of-war camp, and Shostakovich's *String Quartet No. 8*, which denounces the evils of Stalinism; both performed by the world-renowned Borromeo String Quartet.

Also on the program is a haunting yet hopeful song cycle *I Never Saw Another Butterfly*, by composer Lori Lattiman, which is based on poems by children who perished in the Terezin concentration camp.

Other highlights of the season include a holiday concert with three of Bach's glorious *Brandenburg Concertos*. The concert will be held at South Church, Andover, on Saturday, Dec. 13, at 5 p.m. This is a first-time collaboration between ACMS and the Boston Chamber Music Society. The concert will be repeated Sunday, Dec. 14 at 3 p.m. at the First Church in Cambridge, Congregational.

Children and their families will enjoy this year's Family Halloween Concert, on Sunday, Oct. 26 at 3 p.m. It presents *Oceanophony* by New York composer Bruce Adolph, with poems by Kate Light. Fun both for kids and their fishy parents, *Oceanophony* takes a comical, mysterious, and provocative musical and poetic journey into the deepest parts of the ocean. Enjoy "coral" music and swing to the *Greeting Dance* from *Sea Horse*. As always, kids are invited to wear their costumes and mingle with the musicians onstage after the performance.

For the romantic at heart ACMS offers its seventh Annual Valentine Concert, *From Russia With Love*, on Sunday, Feb. 8, at 4 p.m. This beguiling all-Russian program begins with Rachmaninoff's *Sonata for cello and piano* and ends with Tchaikovsky's *Piano trio in a minor*.

Scolnik promises two surprise guest artists. "Think *Di Zircovo*."

The concluding concert, *Red Doves and Pink Skies*, on Sunday, April 4 at 4 p.m., will feature Bruce Adolph's musical homage to painter Paul Gauguin, as well as Ravel's *Piano Trio* and Brahms's beautiful *Clarinet Trio*.

The Andover Chamber Music Series is a non-profit arts organization whose mission is to make world-class chamber music accessible and affordable to everyone in the Merrimack Valley. The ACMS reaches out to low-income families and the elderly through educational programs in the local area, schools and by providing discounted tickets through retirement organizations and the Andover Senior Center. For more information about these concerts, contact Michael Brower at 978-749-0500, michael@andoverchambermusic.org.

Andover Chamber Music Series tickets are \$25 and 20 Student rush tickets are \$8. Five-concert season subscriptions are available for \$108 and \$92. Family concert tickets, which are not part of the subscription, are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 15.

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To order tickets and for other information, call 978-474-6222, or toll free 866-335-3400, or send an e-mail to michael@andoverchambermusic.org. Or order online and view additional information on programs and performers at www.andoverchambermusic.org.



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Live music, Phillips Consort of
Viols, \$15, 5 p.m., St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 4 Ocean St., Beverly: 978-922-3438, www.stpetersbeverly.org

Ongoing
Art Exhibitions

Addison Gallery of American Art, closed August, gallery hours Tuesday - Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 1-5 p.m.; Addison Gallery of American Art, Phillips Academy: 978-749-4015 www.addison-gallery.org

Andover Historical Society, tour the Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum for a glimpse into life in the early 19th century. Contemporary Andover Artist Series presents: *Recent Pastels, Watercolors and Prints* by Diane M. Pitocchi. Also, the Historical Society is teaming with the Andover Garden Club to host a traveling exhibition organized by the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities (SPNEA). *Lost Gardens of New England* (\$5 admission; free to members) features more than 40 images mined from the collections of SPNEA, including watercolors, historic photographs, plans, stereoview cards and garden supply catalogs, illustrating town and country gardens from 1790 through 1930. Tuesday through Friday 1-4 p.m., \$5 admission, students \$3, 97 Main St.: 978-475-2236, www.andhist.org.

Alpers Fine Art of Andover, gallery hours: Wednesday and Thursdays 11 a.m.-8 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-10 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 2 Main St., Andover: 978-470-0013.

Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology, *Objects and their Meanings: Historical Highlights of the Peabody*, displays ethnographic objects from the museum's collections of North and South America and a series of photographs that illustrate the activities of the museum's key people during the last century. Tuesday through Saturday, noon-5 p.m., by appointment only, free admission, Phillips Academy campus, 175 Main St.: 978-749-4490

Essex Art Center, Main gallery *Midsummer Reflection*, paintings by John Lundquist, Rob Wilke and Susan Godwin, Beland gallery *Visual Poetry*, poetry by Bruce Andrews and suitcase by John Armistage, Tuesday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Friday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 56 Island St., Lawrence: 978-685-2343

McCoy Gallery, Merrimack College:

for hours: 978-837-5000, Ext. 4205.

Brush Art Gallery, Resident Art Show, through Sept. 7, gallery hours Tuesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 256 Market St., Lowell: 978-459-7819.

Arthur Griffin Center for Photographic Art, Main Gallery June 26 through Sept. 12, *Photobooth*; in the Emerging Artists Gallery Mustang: The Lost Tibetan Kingdom photographs by Don Gurewitz, Tuesday-Sunday, noon to 4 p.m., \$5 admission, Thursday admission is free all day, 67 Shore Road, Winchester: 781-729-1158, www.griffinmuseum.org.

Revolving Museum, artist-driven museum, dedicated to presenting public art, exhibitions, educational programs, gallery hours: Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday noon-4 p.m., 22 Shattuck St., Lowell: 978-937-2787.

Whistler House Museum of Art, Wednesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., \$4, 243 Worthen St., Lowell: 978-452-7641

J. David Broudo Gallery of Art, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Endicott College, 376 Hale St. (Route 127) Beverly: 978-232-2250

Sakowich Campus Center, at Merrimack College, the Firestone and First floor lounges, call for hours: 978-837-5000, Ext. 4205.

McQuade Gallery, at Merrimack College (located in the McQuade Library), gallery hours Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m.-11 p.m., Friday, 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday, 11 a.m.-11 p.m.; closed weekends in January: 978-837-5000, Ext. 4205.

Montserrat College of Art Gallery, Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.; Friday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, noon-4 p.m., 23 Essex St., Beverly: 978-921-4242

Senior Center artists, talented artists participate in art classes and enjoy the "drop-in group" on Wednesday and Thursday mornings, art display of oils, watercolors, pencil, pen and ink, pastels and oriental brush art is in the Music Room; Andover Senior Center, Whittier Court: 978-623-8321.

Memorial Hall Library, Artist of the Month series features Robert Dennis, photography, Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m.: 978-623-8400, www.mhl.org.

Flint Memorial Library, 147 Park St., North Reading: 978-664-9422, www.flintmemoriallibrary.org.

Churchill Gallery, Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Sunday, 12:30-5:30 p.m., 6 Inn St., Newburyport, 978-462-9891.

The State of the Art Gallery and Sculpture Garden, Rocky Neck Art Colony, Gloucester: 978-463-8883.

Cape Ann Historical Museum, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 27 Pleasant St., Gloucester:

978-283-0455.

The Saltbox Gallery, cooperative of 21 artists from the North Shore. Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; 49 Main St., Topsfield: 978-887-3844.

Laura Coombs Hills Gallery, Monday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m., 60 Water St., Newburyport: 978-465-8769, www.newburyportart.org.

Mingo Gallery, Harbors and Lighthouses, July 18-Sept. 12, Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 252 Cabot St., Beverly: 978-927-5964.

Nevins Memorial Hall, 305 Broadway, Methuen: 978-686-4080.

Arlington Center for the Arts, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., 41 Foster St., Arlington.

Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, Wednesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 136 State St., Portsmouth, N.H.: 603-431-4230.

Gelb Gallery at Phillips Academy, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Sunday, noon-4 p.m.: 978-475-4419.

Bravos Arts Gallery, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., One East Main St., Georgetown: 978-352-8102.

Ayer Lofts Art Gallery, a cooperative artist space in Lowell, Thursdays, 6-8 p.m., Saturday, Sunday, 1-4 p.m., 172 Middle St., Lowell: 978-970-3556 info@ayerlofts.com.

River Gallery, Thursday through Sunday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., 4 Market St., Ipswich: 978-356-1559.

Robert Lehman Art Center at Brooks School, gallery hours Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, 8:30 a.m.-noon, Sunday, 2:30-5 p.m., 1160 Great Pond Road, North Andover: 978-725-6232.

Another Atmosphere, 120 Pleasant St., Newburyport: 978-462-8029.

Ocmulgee Pottery & Fine Crafts, gallery hours Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturdays 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 26 Market St., Ipswich: 978-356-1298.

Crescent Dragon Gallery, 59 Washington St., Haverhill: www.galleryonhomestead.com/1.html.

Walsingham Gallery, At Day's End, Aug. 16 through Sept. 15, gallery hours: Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m.; 47 Merrimack St., Newburyport: 978-499-4411 www.thewalsingham-gallery.com.

North Shore Arts Association of Gloucester, featuring sculptures, paintings, Pirate's Lane, Gloucester: 978-283-1857.

Erlich Gallery, Summer Illuminations paintings by three artists, gallery hours Tuesday through Saturdays 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Sunday noon-5 p.m., 96 Washington St., Marblehead: 781-631-1202.

Museums and Historic Homes

Andover Historical Society, tour the Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum for a glimpse into life in the early 19th century. Contemporary Andover Artist Series presents: *Recent Pastels, Watercolors and Prints* by Diane M. Pitocchi; teaming up with the Andover Garden Club to host a traveling exhibition organized by the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities (SPNEA). *Lost Gardens of New England* features more than 40 images mined from the rich collections of SPNEA, including watercolors, historic photographs, plans, stereoview cards and garden supply catalogs, illustrating town and country gardens from 1790 through 1930. Tuesday through Friday 1-4 p.m., \$5 admission, students \$3, 97 Main St.: 978-475-2236, www.andhist.org.

Museum of Printing, 800 Massachusetts Ave., North Andover, featuring antique printing equipment, \$5 admission, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday, 1-8 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, 1-5 p.m.; 978-686-0450 or www.museumofprinting.org.

North Andover Historical Society, 153 Academy Road, North Andover, maintains two sites that feature museum galleries: 1789 Johnson Cottage, an artisan's home and workshop, and 1715 Parson Barnard House, depicting life from 1715-1830, 179 Osgood St. changing exhibits highlight local life from the 17th to the 20th century, library and archive, \$3 adults, \$1 children, \$2 seniors, Johnson Cottage, tours Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m.-noon and 2-4 p.m., \$5 adults for a combined tour of both properties: 978-686-4035.

American Textile History Museum, Runway Madness: The Fashion Photography of Lucian Perkins, 491 Dutton St., Lowell, Museum hours are Tuesday through Friday 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Saturday, Sunday, and most holidays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed July 4; admission \$6 for adults; \$4 for students, seniors, and groups; free for children under 6 and museum members, parking is free, and the building is wheelchair accessible: 978-441-0400 or www.atm.org.

Boott Cotton Mills Museum, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 400 Foot of John St., Lowell.

New England Quilt Museum, Pioneers: Teaching the World to Quilt, through Sept. 7, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 18 Shattuck St., Lowell: 978-452-4207.

Lawrence Heritage State Park, Andover artists exhibiting in the Andover Artists Guild Show through Aug. 23, open daily, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., 1 Jackson St., Lawrence: 794-1655.

Wenham Museum, \$5 adults, \$3 children ages 2 and up, 132 Main St., Wenham: 978-468-2377.

Custom House Maritime Museum, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Thursday and Sunday, 1-4 p.m., 25 Water St., Newburyport; its Lowell Boat Shop, 459 Main St., Amesbury, Wednesday-Sunday: 978-388-0162.

Phillips House Tours, Open May 24 through Oct. 31, Federal mansion tour, free, Monday through Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 34 Chestnut St., Salem: 978-744-0440.

Beaumont, Open June 1 through Sept. 15, \$10, Monday through Friday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Beaumont, Sleeper-McCann House, 75 Eastern Point Blvd., Gloucester: 978-283-0800.

Cogswell's Grant, Open June 1 through Oct. 15, \$10, Fridays through Sundays 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Cogswell's Grant, 60 Spring St., Essex: 978-768-3632.

Peabody Essex Museum, Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m., \$12 adults, \$10 seniors \$8, students: free for children under 16; East India Square, Salem: 978-745-9500, 866-745-1876, www.pem.org. Also, *Alive After Five*, evenings of music performances, art and children's activities, through Aug. 28, events held in downtown Salem and at Pickering Wharf.

Dracula's Castle, unusual lore of New England focusing on strange ghostly and unexplained events, \$6, \$4 ages 8-14, Saturdays, 7:30 p.m., 90 Lafayette St., Salem; Dan Tremblay 978-777-2711.

House of Seven Gables, Open daily 10 a.m.-5 p.m., extended hours until 7 p.m., through October, \$10 (2 for 1 admission for Essex County residents with proof of residency), 54 Turner St., Salem, 978-744-0991, www.7gables.org.

Theater

Wait Until Dark, July 25 through Aug. 17, the Valley Players, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays 8:30 p.m., Sunday 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., \$15 show only, \$26-37 dinner/show, the Amesbury Playhouse, Dinner Theater and Function Room, 194 Main St., Amesbury: 978-388-9444.

Swing and Sway Nights, dinner and dancing, Aug. 15; Sept. 5 and 19; \$10 dancing only, \$25 per person dinner and show, 7 p.m., dinner, 8:30 p.m. dancing, call for menu and reservations, Amesbury Playhouse, Dinner Theater and Function Hall, 194 Main St., Amesbury: 978-388-9444.

Meetings/Activities

American Legion Andover Post 8, second Wednesday of the month, September to June, 7 p.m., Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlett St.; Ted Witman 978-683-9988.

Andover Choral Society, we are especially open to new members in September and late January, auditions not required, chorus meets

every Monday 7:20 p.m., Christ Church, Central Street; Cathy Bruton 978-687-8225.

Andover Great Books Group, meets second and fourth Tuesdays, discusses book of the week, activity room, Memorial Hall Library, 7:30-9 p.m.; Jean McGreehan 667-9610.

Andover Tennis Club, for men, women and children, recreational singles, doubles and mixed doubles play at the intermediate level, \$65 family membership, \$40 single membership, Phillips Academy, www.andovertennis.org.

BNI Business Network International, Wednesdays, 7-8:30 a.m., Denny's, Route 114, Lawrence; Edna 978-640-8919, or Steve 978-975-1328.

The Haverhill Chapter Business Network International, Fridays 7-8:30 a.m., Best Western Hotel, 401 Lowell Avenue, Haverhill, 603-475-3503, www.bni-haverhill.org.

Choral Arts Society, for information and to audition call: Rick Seaman 603-382-5070 or Shelia Kanan 978-373-4990.

Country line dancing, STOMPERS, Country Line Dance Production will have line dancing every Wednesday and Sunday, 7-11 p.m., GuestHouse Inn & Suites, Exit 47, I-93, Methuen.

Community men's chorus, The Men's Chorus of New England, newly formed by Treble Chorus of New England at Merrimack College with Richard Barney conducting, 5:30-7 p.m., Tuesdays, West Parish Church, Andover: Anne O'Neill 978-837-5461.

Embroiders Guild of America, dedicated to teaching and preserving needlework as an art form, third Tuesday of the month, September through May, 7 p.m., Tewksbury Congregational Church, Main and East streets, Tewksbury; Rosemary Carter 978-893-0959.

Exsultet!, a chamber choir, rehearsals Mondays, 7:30-10 p.m., Holy Trinity United Methodist Church, 16 Sylvan St., Danvers; Richard Larrage 781-329-1741.

Folk dance, Skirts and Flirts Square Dance Club, weekly Thursday classes, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Shawshen Elementary School, Shawshen and Hopkins streets (Route 12), Wilmington; 978-658-4022 or 978-658-3480.

Grandparents as Parents Resource Network of Greater Lowell, 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7-8:30 p.m., Memorial Hospital, Lowell; Rachelle Comtois 978-459-3242.

Lowell Opera Company rehearsals Mondays, 7:30-9:30 p.m., new members welcome, auditions not required, Christ Church United, 6 Bartlett St., Lowell: 978-441-6926.

Memorial Hall Library, Artist of the Month exhibits, book discussion every fourth Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Elm Square; www.mhl.org.

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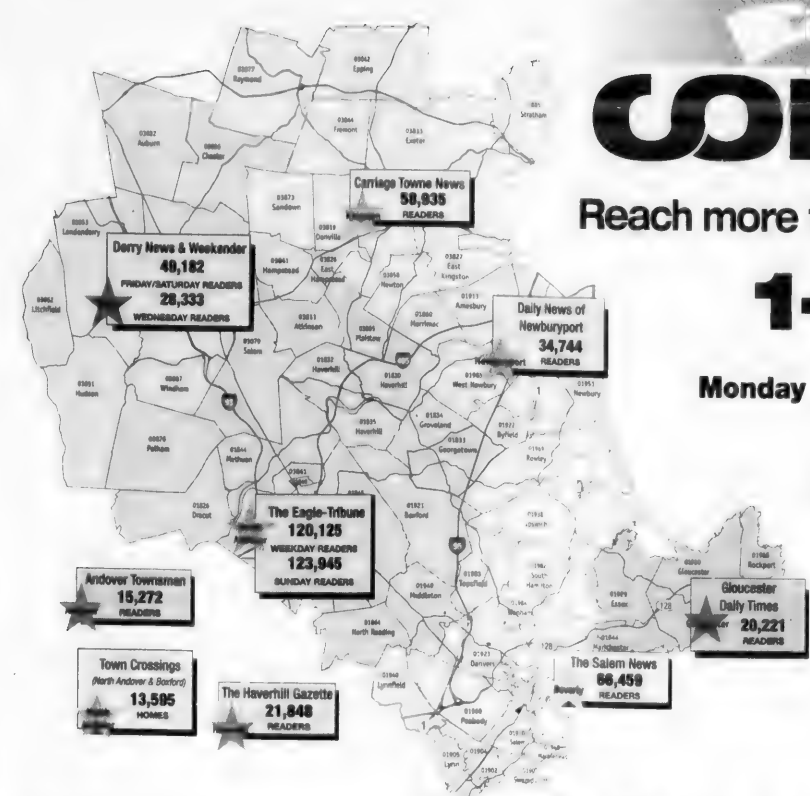
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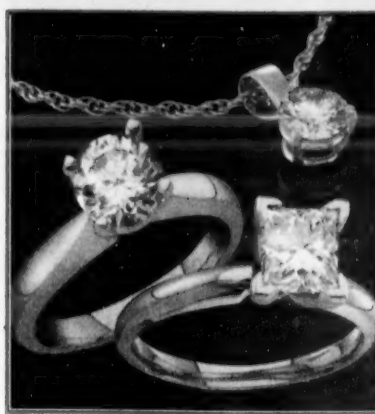


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